Dales Lake Ecoogical Reserve Grazing Program

Summary

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Public Agency California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 1 (CDFW)

Dales Lake Ecoogical Reserve Grazing Program **Document Title**

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Document Description

Cattle grazing will be used on the Dales Lake Ecological Reserve to alter the vegetation composition thereby improving wildlife habitat. The proposed grazing prescription will encourage the growth of native plants associated with the vernal pools found on the property. The grazing period will be from Dec. 1 to May 1 each year. Dales Lake Ecological Reserve has not been grazed for several years, the lack of grazing has allowed the invasion of non-native plants, the reintroduction of grazing will minimize competition and allow native vegetation to again flourish.

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Location

Counties

Tehama

Notice of Exemption

Categorical Exemption **Exempt Status**

Type, Section or Code S:15304,16306, Class 4,6

Reasons for Exemption Minor Alterations to Land.

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

File Ref: PRC 8089.2

Item: C78

Title: GENERAL LEASE - GRAZING USE - PRC 8089.2

Location: Approximately 320 acres, more or less, of State indemnity school land located in the North ½ of Section 18, Township 27 South, Range 28 East, MDM, near Bakersfield, Kern County.

Description: Authorize issuance of a General Lease – Grazing Use beginning July 1, 2019, for a term of 10 years, for livestock grazing and the use and maintenance of existing fencing.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): Allan L. Faughn

Exempt Status:

[√] Categorical Exemptions:

CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATION TO LAND (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 2905, subd. (d)(1)) CLASS 1, EXISTING FACILITIES (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 2905, subd. (a)(2))

Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a 10-year General Lease – Grazing Use for the above-mentioned structure(s) will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There is no reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption(s) apply(ies).

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



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PROJECT TITLE	Diamond Star Fuels Reduction Project		
PROJECT LOCATION	T28N R6W Sec. 25, 30 & 31, MDB&M	COUNTY	Tehama
LEAD AGENCY California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)			
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Objectives: To reduce hazardous fuels, provide safer ingress and egress, improve fire protection to rangeland, livestock grazing and recreational areas to residents along Diamond Star Road. The treatment area is a 1.6-mile length of road encompassing 22 acres. The project area is classified as "very high" fire severity zone. This project benefits the nearby community of private subdivisions livestock grazing lands that are economically important and underground natural gas lines that not only affect Tehama Glenn Unit, but the entire state. This fuel break would create a possible stopping point for any fire starts along highway 36 between Cottonwood Creek and Diamond Star road. Treatment Methods: CAL FIRE hand crews will remove ladder fuels and fuel loading 50 feet on both sides of Diamond Star Road. This will be accomplished by, brushing, thinning and removing live (10" dbh. and under) and downed trees to decrease ladder fuels and fuel loading. Trees to be retained are those with a dbh. of 10" and greater and will have their branches pruned up to 8' above ground level with a minimum live crown ratio of 20%. The cut vegetation will be chipped, scattered and or put in piles for burning. Location: The project is located the western Sacramento Valley Foothills adjacent to the California Coastal Range off of Highway 36 west of Red Bluff and west of Cannon Road in western Tehama County. Elevations range from 700 to 900 feet. The vegetation is characterized by grasses, foothill pine, blue oak woodlands and mixed brush. The climate is Mediterranean, characterized by wet, cool winters and dry warm summers. Watercourses present within project vicinity: South Fork Cottonwood Creek, a class I watercourse is located approximately 400 feet from the project. An unnamed tributary to this watercourse crosses through the project, which will have a 75-foot buffer where the only activity will be limbing and pruning tree branches. Timing: Work is subject to weather, anticipated to begin late 2019 and be completed prior to spring 2020.

EXEMPTION STATUS					
\boxtimes	Categorical Exemption	Class 4 § 15304(i) - Minor			
		Alterations to Land			
	Statutory Exemption (state code section):				
	Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)				
	Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))				
	Emergency Project (§210	80(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))			

REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

This project fits under portions of Class 4 Section 15304 (c) & (f) – Minor alterations to Land

Field review by CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no exceptions apply that would preclude the use of a notice of exemption for this project. The Department has concluded that no significant environmental impact would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forestland or timberland, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation or traffic, or to utilities and service systems. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at CAL FIRE's Tehama-Glenn Unit Headquarters.

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research

1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation

Diablo Range District 15751 Tesla Road Livermore, CA 94550

PROJECT TITLE: Grazing Lease Renewal 2020

LOCATION: Hollister Hills SVRA

COUNTY: San Benito

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Renew an existing grazing lease at Hollister Hills State Vehicular Recreation Area. This renewal will allow the continued grazing for the next 5 years on approximately 1,400 acres of historically grazed rangeland. Lease conditions include development of an annual grazing plan, monitoring, and post-season assessment to meet natural resource objectives.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Diablo Range District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

Class: 1

Section: 15301

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the leasing of existing private or public structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels.

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Permit for Excess Vegetation Disposal at Pickel Meadow Wildlife Area (Grazing Permit)

Summary

SCH Number 2019018040

Public Agency California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 6 I/M (CDFW)

Document Title Permit for Excess Vegetation Disposal at Pickel Meadow Wildlife Area (Grazing Permit)

Document Type NOE - Notice of Exemption

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Document Description

CDFW proposes to issue a 5-year permit for excess vegetation disposal (grazing) on approx 510-acres of the Pickel Meadow Wildlife Area. This portion of the Wildlife Area is included in the adjacent US Forest Service Junction Grazing Permit and has been grazed annually during the 30 years that the property has been owned by CDFW and was managed as a private ranch prior to acquisition. The existing Forest Service permit and the associated Junction Allotment Management Plan (1992) establish required management practices, the unit rotation schedule, and allowable use standards for grazing on the property. The primary objective of livestock grazing at this location is to maintain and improve habitat for plants and wildlife, particularly the irrigated meadows occurring on the property. Grazing would occur between June 1 and September 30 annually using a deferred pasture rotation schedule, regular monitoring, and exclusion from sensitive areas.

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

File Ref: Lease 5329.2; A2119

Item: 61

Title: GENERAL LEASE - GRAZING USE - Lease 5329.2; A2119

Location: 3,412 acres, more or less, of State-owned school and lieu land in all of Section 36, Township 32 North, Range 15 East, MDM; portions of Sections 7, 17, 18, 19, 20, 30, and all of Section 16, Township 31 North, Range 16 East, MDM; and portions of Sections 24, 25, 34, and all of Section 36, Township 31 North, Range 15 East, MDM, near Litchfield, Lassen County.

Description: Authorize issuance of a General Lease – Grazing Use beginning November 22, 2019, for a term of 10 years, for livestock grazing and the use and maintenance of existing fencing.

Name of Approving Public Agency: California State Lands Commission

Name of Proponent (Person or Agency): Norbert C. Freitas and Alice Freitas

Exempt Status:

[√] Categorical Exemptions:

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Reasons for exemption:

Issuance of a 10-year General Lease – Grazing Use for the above-mentioned structure(s) will cause only a minor physical change in the environment and will not change existing activities in the area. There is no reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Therefore, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and the above categorical exemption(s) apply(ies).

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Permit for Excess Vegetation Disposal in Little Antelope Valley (Grazing Permit)

Summary

SCH Number 2018098554

Public Agency California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 6 I/M (CDFW)

Document Title Permit for Excess Vegetation Disposal in Little Antelope Valley (Grazing Permit)

Document Type NOE - Notice of Exemption

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Document Description

CDFW proposes to issue a new 5 year permit for excess vegetation disposal (grazing) on approximately 571- acres of irrigated pasture of the Little Antelope Valley Unit of the Slinkard/ Little Antelope Wildlife Area. This portion of the Wildlife Area has been grazed regularly since acquisition by the state 40 years ago and was previously managed as a private ranch. Prescribed grazing will be conducted on the property in a manner consistent with vegetation and habitat management goals for Wildlife area. The primary objective of livestock grazing at this location is to maintain and improve wildlife habitat, particularly for mule deer and upland game birds. The grazing prescription proposed has been specifically developed to maximize forage for deer in the winter and spring by maintaining vegetation at preferred seral stages. Grazing would occur between May 15 and October 15 annually using a deferred pasture rotation schedule, low utilization thresholds, regular monitoring, and exclusion from sensitive areas.

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Location

Counties Mono

Township 8N

Range 22E

Section 13, 24

Base MDBM

Other Information Township 8N Sections 18, 19, 30 Range 23E

Notice of Exemption

Exempt Status Categorical Exemption

Type, Section or Code 15304

Reasons for Exemption The project is Class 4, 15304 (Minor Alteration to Lands) Exempt, the project will result in minor

alterations in the condition of land and vegetation on an existing officially designated wildlife

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management area which will result in improvement of habitat for wildlife resources.

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