NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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WHEN FILED RETURN TO:

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March 6, 2018

1. Project Name: Middle Fire Road Improvement Project
2. Project Location: Mount Burdell Open Space Preserve, Novato, CA
3. Assessor's Parcel 125-180-58
4. Project Description:
The proposed project would improve 10,027 linear foot multiuse fire road in the middle of the Mount Burdell Open Space Preserve. The project includes improvements to the road will require approximately 97 yds of rock/base rock mix import and would install approximately 43 rolling dips and appropriate dewatering features at regular intervals, to produce a more sustainable and hydraulically stable road. The project would also rebuild an existing 10 foot wide armored fill at stream crossing with 10 yards of 12 to 24 inch rip rap to prevent streamflow from diverting around the edges of the armored fill and install an 18 inch x 20 foot long Ditch Relief Culvert. It would also regrade the fire road to incorporate out sloping of road surface.

5. Public Agency Approving Project: General Manager, Marin County Open Space District
6. Project Sponsor: Marin County Open Space District
7. CEQA Exemption Status: Class 1 Exemption (Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities)
8. Reasons for Exemption:
The project will make improvements to the existing the fire road and rock ford crossing to support emergency, maintenance, and patrol vehicle uses, reduce erosion and sedimentation into the watershed, and remove potential hazards to recreational users. The project will not result in any changes or increases in use of the existing road. Although there are other road and trail improvement projects within Marin County, the proposed project will not have any significant negative cumulative impacts as they will cumulatively reduce erosion and sedimentation into various watersheds county-wide. The proposed project will not have significant effects on the environment due to unusual circumstances, will not damage scenic resources within a state scenic highway, will not be located on a site that is included in a list of hazardous waste sites, and will not cause significant adverse change to historical resources.

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