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DEDICATION OF A MEMORIAL TO FIREFIGHTER DENIS LEE CULLINS ON STATE SCHOOL LAND IN LAKE COUNTY

APPLICANT:

State Lands Commission 1807 - 13th Street

Sacramento, California 95814

The Lauder Fire, which started near the Lake-Mendocino County line on September 29, 1987, burned over 1,500 acres of forested land including approximately 750 acres of State school lands. The fire was fought by units of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and United States Forest Service.

On September 29, Humboldt Ranger Unit Helitack Crew 102 was over run by the fire while working on school land in Section 15, 118N, R11W, MDM. Mr. Denis Lee Cullins, a member of the crew, died of injuries sustained in the fire He was 31 years of age and had eight years of firefighting with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

A memorial to Mr. Cullins is proposed in the form of a Sequoia tree to be planted on the site where he died in the line of duty, together with a 9" x 12" redwood plaque engraved "In Memory of Denis Lee Cullins, Firefighter CDF, who died here while fighting the Lauder Fire, September 29, 1987."

It is proposed that the Commission dedicate the 2 1/2-acre site containing the sequoia seedling and plaque as a permanent memorial to Mr. Cullins. It is also proposed that the 4,500-acre State school land ownership in which the fire burned be designated the Denis Lee Cullins Forest Management Unit.

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STATUTORY AND OTHER REFERENCES:

- A. P.R.C.: Div. 6, Parts 1 and 2; Div. 13.
- B. Cal. Adm. Code: Title 2, Liv. 3; Title 14, Div. 6.

AB 884:

N/A.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Adm. Code 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA under the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The staff believes there is no possibility that this project may have a significant effect on the environment.

Authority: 14 Cal. Adm. Code 15061(b)(3).

EXHIBIT:

A. Location Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

- 1. FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO 14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15061 BECAUSE THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY THAT THE ACTIVITY MAY HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT. (14 CAL. ADM. CODE 15061(b)(3))
- 2. DEDICATE NE 1/4, SE 1/4, NE 1/4, NW 1/4, SECTION 15 T19N, R11W, MDM AS THE SITE OF A MEMORIAL TO CDF FIREFIGHTER DENIS LEE CULLINS AND DESIGNATE THE STATE SCHOOL LANDS IN THE HIGH PEAK/VAN ARSDALE AREA OF LAKE AND MENDOCINO COUNTIES THE DENIS LEE CULLINS FOREST MANAGEMENT UNIT.

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