



**INITIAL ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST
FOR DETERMINATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

Project Name: Homewood Mountain Timber Harvesting Plan

APN/Project Location: Please see project description for complete list of APNs. All at Homewood Mountain Resort.

County/City: Placer County

Project Description:

The project is a Timber Harvesting Plan (THP) (No. 2-23-00114-PLA). The THP covers 252 acres of selective timber harvesting to improve forest stand conditions, and 94 acres of land devoted to ski runs. The selection tree removal will target the removal of suppressed, dead, dying, and non-resilient stands of timber for forest health and risk reduction of catastrophic wildfire. The objective of the timber harvesting is to improve the remnant stands of forest and timber to a healthy and desirable physiological condition promoting forest resilience and the desired phenology throughout the area and to bolster public safety from severe wildfire.

The THP area includes the following APNs: 097-050-073; 097-050-088; 097-050-089; 097-050-091; 097-050-092; 097-060-016; 097-060-020; 097-060-023; 097-060-029; 097-060-030; 097-060-031; 097-060-036; 097-060-037; 097-060-038; 097-130-044; and 097-140-003.

The THP was prepared by a Registered Professional Forester in conformance with the Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act of 1973 (FPA) and the Forest Practice Rules adopted by the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (FPR). (See 14 CCR 896 [the FPR "are intended to provide the exclusive criteria for reviewing THPs" and this process "substitutes for the EIR process under CEQA".]) The THP identifies potential environmental impacts and imposes mitigation measures to substantially lessen or avoid those impacts. (Ibid.)

The THP has been reviewed by the Cal. Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, which determined that the THP will not result in any significant unmitigated environmental impacts and found that the THP conforms with both the FPA and the FPR. Accordingly, TRPA may find that the THP meets the requirements for tree removal set forth in section 61.1 of the TRPA Code of Ordinances. (TRPA Code, § 61.1.5, subd. (C).)

The complete official record for the THP can be found online at <https://caltreesplans.resources.ca.gov/caltrees/>
<https://caltreesplans.resources.ca.gov/caltrees/Default.aspx> by searching for Plan Number 2-23-00114-PLA and viewing the following files: 20231012_2-23-00114PLA_Sec1_App.pdf; 20231012_2-23-00114PLA_Sec2_App.pdf; 20231012_2-23-00114PLA_Sec3_App.pdf; 20231012_2-23-00114PLA_Sec4_App.pdf; 20231012_2-23-00114PLA_Sec5_App.pdf; 20231012_2-23-00114PLA_Sec6_App.pdf.

The following questionnaire will be completed by the applicant based on evidence submitted with the application. All "Yes" and "No, With Mitigation" answers will require further written comments. Use the blank boxes to add any additional information and reference the question number and letter. If more space is required for additional information, please attached separate sheets and reference the question number and letter.

For information on the status of TRPA environmental thresholds click on the links to the Threshold Dashboard.

I. Environmental Impacts

1. Land

Current and historic status of soil conservation standards can be found at the links below:

- [Impervious Cover](#)
- [Stream Environment Zone](#)

Will the proposal result in:

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Compaction or covering of the soil beyond the limits allowed in the land capability or Individual Parcel Evaluation System (IPES)? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. A change in the topography or ground surface relief features of site inconsistent with the natural surrounding conditions? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Unstable soil conditions during or after completion of the proposal? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Changes in the undisturbed soil or native geologic substructures or grading in excess of 5 feet? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e. The continuation of or increase in wind or water erosion of soils, either on or off the site? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| f. Changes in deposition or erosion of beach sand, or changes in siltation, deposition or erosion, including natural littoral processes, which may modify the channel of a river or stream or the bed of a lake? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| g. Exposure of people or property to geologic hazards such as earthquakes, landslides, backshore erosion, avalanches, mud slides, ground failure, or similar hazards? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Discussion

d. "Item #18 - Soil Stabilization" of the THP on pages 21 to 24 employs mitigation measures during timber harvesting activities to protect soil and water quality resources.

Soil stabilization at significant landings may include, mulching, wood chip coverage; silt fencing and straw wattles during construction and use. Construction of landings will only be during dry season and no construction or timber harvesting will occur on saturated soils.



2. Air Quality

Current and historic status of air quality standards can be found at the links below:

- [Carbon Monoxide \(CO\)](#)
- [Nitrate Deposition](#)
- [Ozone \(O3\)](#)
- [Regional Visibility](#)
- [Respirable and Fine Particulate Matter](#)
- [Sub-Regional Visibility](#)

Will the proposal result in:

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Substantial air pollutant emissions? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Deterioration of ambient (existing) air quality? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. The creation of objectionable odors? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Alteration of air movement, moisture or temperature, or any change in climate, either locally or regionally? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e. Increased use of diesel fuel? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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e. The project will use diesel powered, heavy equipment during timber harvesting activities. All engines employed as part of this THP are registered and CARB certified, and meet State of CA clean emissions standards for compliance.



3. Water Quality

Current and historic status of water quality standards can be found at the links below:

- [Aquatic Invasive Species](#)
- [Deep Water \(Pelagic\) Lake Tahoe](#)
- [Groundwater](#)
- [Nearshore \(Littoral\) Lake Tahoe](#)
- [Other Lakes](#)
- [Surface Runoff](#)
- [Tributaries](#)
- [Load Reductions](#)

Will the proposal result in:

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Changes in currents, or the course or direction of water movements? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Changes in absorption rates, drainage patterns, or the rate and amount of surface water runoff so that a 20 yr. 1 hr. storm runoff (approximately 1 inch per hour) cannot be contained on the site? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Alterations to the course or flow of 100-year flood waters? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Change in the amount of surface water in any water body? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e. Discharge into surface waters, or in any alteration of surface water quality, including but not limited to temperature, dissolved oxygen or turbidity? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| f. Alteration of the direction or rate of flow of ground water? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| g. Change in the quantity of groundwater, either through direct additions or withdrawals, or through interception of an aquifer by cuts or excavations? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| h. Substantial reduction in the amount of water otherwise available for public water supplies? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| i. Exposure of people or property to water related hazards such as flooding and/or wave action from 100-year storm occurrence or seiches? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| j. The potential discharge of contaminants to the groundwater or any alteration of groundwater quality? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| k. Is the project located within 600 feet of a drinking water source? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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e. "Item #26 - Watercourse Lake Protection Zone (WLPZ) Protection Measures" of the THP provide measures to protect water quality. All watercourse and stream environment zones will be protected with a defined lineal flagging buffer of no less than 25-feet, and no crossings will occur on Class I or II streams outside of permanent crossings.

4. Vegetation

Current and historic status of vegetation preservation standards can be found at the links below:

- [Common Vegetation](#)
- [Late Seral/Old Growth Ecosystems](#)
- [Sensitive Plants](#)
- [Uncommon Plant Communities](#)

Will the proposal result in:

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Removal of native vegetation in excess of the area utilized for the actual development permitted by the land capability/IPES system? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Removal of riparian vegetation or other vegetation associated with critical wildlife habitat, either through direct removal or indirect lowering of the groundwater table? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Introduction of new vegetation that will require excessive fertilizer or water, or will provide a barrier to the normal replenishment of existing species? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Change in the diversity or distribution of species, or number of any species of plants (including trees, shrubs, grass, crops, micro flora, and aquatic plants)? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e. Reduction of the numbers of any unique, rare, or endangered species of plants? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| f. Removal of stream bank and/or backshore vegetation, including woody vegetation such as willows? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| g. Removal of any native live, dead or dying trees 30 inches or greater in diameter at breast height (dbh) within TRPA's Conservation or Recreation land use classifications? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| h. A change in the natural functioning of an old growth ecosystem? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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d. As described on page 18 of the THP, there has been extensive mortality of the true fir stands. One intent of this project is to reduce competition of suppressed and successive fir encroachment to the forest stand by removal of a portion of these trees (suppressed fir species) within the stand. The harvest will improve health, vigor and productivity of the retained tree species with definitive stand dynamics based on species physiology.

g. Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA); Code of Ordinances Section 61.37.1.A provides protections for trees over 30-inches dbh. All trees indicated for removal over 30-inches dbh meet one of the exceptions for "westside forest types" under these standards. Any trees over 30-inches dbh slated for removal and harvest will be marked by an RPF under the THP.

5. Wildlife

Current and historic status of special interest species standards can be found at the links below:

- [Special Interest Species](#)

Current and historic status of the fisheries standards can be found at the links below:

- [Instream Flow](#)
- [Lake Habitat](#)
- [Stream Habitat](#)

Will the proposal result in:

- | | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Change in the diversity or distribution of species, or numbers of any species of animals (birds, land animals including reptiles, fish and shellfish, benthic organisms, insects, mammals, amphibians or microfauna)? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Reduction of the number of any unique, rare or endangered species of animals? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Introduction of new species of animals into an area, or result in a barrier to the migration or movement of animals? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Deterioration of existing fish or wildlife habitat quantity or quality? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Discussion

a., b. "Items 32-35 Biological Resources" can be found on pages 64-71 of the THP. Surveys for plants and wildlife were conducted. Specific enforceable language has been incorporated into the THP with input from California Department of Fish and Wildlife to ensure protections.

Amphibian Protection Measures: Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog has potential to occur in all Class I and Class II watercourses adjacent the plan boundary. Although the species has not been documented or observed in the downstream reaches of Homewood Creek or canyon or within the plan boundary, there are speculated species occurrence in the upper watershed of Homewood Creek and known occurrences outside of the plan boundary near Lake Louise (headwaters of Madden Creek – Class I watercourse) all located outside of the plan boundary.

Bird Protection Measures: If project-related activities are to be initiated during the nesting season (January 1 to August 31), a pre-construction nesting bird clearance survey shall be conducted no more than three (3) days prior to the start of any ground disturbance, including staging of equipment. If no active nests are detected during the clearance survey, project activities may begin, and no additional avoidance and minimization measures would be required.

If an active nest is found, the bird species shall be identified, and a 300 foot "no-disturbance" buffer shall be established around the active nest. A qualified biologist may determine if a change in that buffer is appropriate based on species and tolerance to disturbance. Once the young have fledged and left the nest, or the nest otherwise becomes inactive under natural conditions, project activities within the "no-disturbance" buffer may occur. All active nest monitoring will be performed by a qualified biologist.

If an active nest is discovered during Timber Operations, the LTO shall cease all work within a 300' buffer and notify the RPF and for additional survey and no disturbance buffers as above.

6. Noise

Current and historic status of the noise standards can be found at the links below:

- [Cumulative Noise Events](#)
- [Single Noise Events](#)

Will the proposal result in:

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Increases in existing Community Noise Equivalency Levels (CNEL) beyond those permitted in the applicable Area Plan, Plan Area Statement, Community Plan or Master Plan? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Exposure of people to severe noise levels? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Single event noise levels greater than those set forth in the TRPA Noise Environmental Threshold? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. The placement of residential or tourist accommodation uses in areas where the existing CNEL exceeds 60 dBA or is otherwise incompatible? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e. The placement of uses that would generate an incompatible noise level in close proximity to existing residential or tourist accommodation uses? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| f. Exposure of existing structures to levels of ground vibration that could result in structural damage? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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Timber Operations will contribute intermittent and temporary noise by way of logging equipment, not expected to be significant. All timber operations will be conducted during daylight hours and no operations shall occur on legal holidays.



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7. Light and Glare

Will the proposal:

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Include new or modified sources of exterior lighting? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Create new illumination which is more substantial than other lighting, if any, within the surrounding area? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Cause light from exterior sources to be cast off -site or onto public lands? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Create new sources of glare through the siting of the improvements or through the use of reflective materials? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Discussion

8. Land Use

Will the proposal:

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Include uses which are not listed as permissible uses in the applicable Area Plan, Plan Area Statement, adopted Community Plan, or Master Plan? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Expand or intensify an existing non-conforming use? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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9. Natural Resources

Will the proposal result in:

- | | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. A substantial increase in the rate of use of any natural resources? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Substantial depletion of any non-renewable natural resource? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Discussion

Although the plan will generate timber from forest byproducts, a natural resource, there is no increase or deviation from a normal timber harvesting plan.

10. Risk of Upset

Will the proposal:

- | | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Involve a risk of an explosion or the release of hazardous substances including, but not limited to, oil, pesticides, chemicals, or radiation in the event of an accident or upset conditions? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Involve possible interference with an emergency evacuation plan? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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11. Population

Will the proposal:

- | | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Alter the location, distribution, density, or growth rate of the human population planned for the Region? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Include or result in the temporary or permanent displacement of residents? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Discussion

12. Housing

Will the proposal:

- | | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Affect existing housing, or create a demand for additional housing? <i>To determine if the proposal will affect existing housing or create a demand for additional housing, please answer the following questions:</i> | | | | |
| 1. Will the proposal decrease the amount of housing in the Tahoe Region? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2. Will the proposal decrease the amount of housing in the Tahoe Region historically or currently being rented at rates affordable by lower and very-low-income households? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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13. Transportation / Circulation

Will the proposal result in:

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Generation of 650 or more new average daily Vehicle Miles Travelled? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Changes to existing parking facilities, or demand for new parking? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Substantial impact upon existing transportation systems, including highway, transit, bicycle or pedestrian facilities? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Alterations to present patterns of circulation or movement of people and/or goods? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e. Alterations to waterborne, rail or air traffic? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| f. Increase in traffic hazards to motor vehicles, bicyclists, or pedestrians? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Discussion

Vehicular Traffic Impacts are addressed on pages 108-109 of the THP. There is temporary additional traffic from logging trucks during Timber Operations. Any logging truck activity occurring during the normal peak summer tourist season will adhere to traffic control and safety egress from Tahoe Ski Bowl Way at W. Lake Blvd. Additionally, the round trip vehicle miles from the project site to a timber sawmill is 120 miles (RT). There will be no more than four loads of log trucks delivered to the sawmill in one day due to the limit of truck capacity.



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14. Public Services

Will the proposal have an unplanned effect upon, or result in a need for new or altered governmental services in any of the following areas?:

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Fire protection? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Police protection? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Schools? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Parks or other recreational facilities? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e. Maintenance of public facilities, including roads? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| f. Other governmental services? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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15. Energy

Will the proposal result in:

- | | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Use of substantial amounts of fuel or energy? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Substantial increase in demand upon existing sources of energy, or require the development of new sources of energy? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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16. Utilities

Except for planned improvements, will the proposal result in a need for new systems, or substantial alterations to the following utilities:

- | | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Power or natural gas? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Communication systems? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Utilize additional water which amount will exceed the maximum permitted capacity of the service provider? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Utilize additional sewage treatment capacity which amount will exceed the maximum permitted capacity of the sewage treatment provider? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e. Storm water drainage? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| f. Solid waste and disposal? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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17. Human Health

Will the proposal result in:

- | | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Creation of any health hazard or potential health hazard (excluding mental health)? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Exposure of people to potential health hazards? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Discussion

18. Scenic Resources / Community Design

Current and historic status of the scenic resources standards can be found at the links below:

- [Built Environment](#)
- [Other Areas](#)
- [Roadway and Shoreline Units](#)

Will the proposal:

- | | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Be visible from any state or federal highway, Pioneer Trail or from Lake Tahoe? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Be visible from any public recreation area or TRPA designated bicycle trail? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Block or modify an existing view of Lake Tahoe or other scenic vista seen from a public road or other public area? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Be inconsistent with the height and design standards required by the applicable ordinance, Community Plan, or Area Plan? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e. Be inconsistent with the TRPA Scenic Quality Improvement Program (SQIP) or Design Review Guidelines? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Discussion

Visual Resources are addressed on page 108 of the THP. Timber Operations will be visible temporarily in the area.



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19. Recreation

Current and historic status of the recreation standards can be found at the links below:

- [Fair Share Distribution of Recreation Capacity](#)
- [Quality of Recreation Experience and Access to Recreational Opportunities](#)

Will the proposal:

- | | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Create additional demand for recreation facilities? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Create additional recreation capacity? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Have the potential to create conflicts between recreation uses, either existing or proposed? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Result in a decrease or loss of public access to any lake, waterway, or public lands? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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20. Archaeological / Historical

Will the proposal result in:

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. An alteration of or adverse physical or aesthetic effect to a significant archaeological or historical site, structure, object or building? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Is the proposed project located on a property with any known cultural, historical, and/or archaeological resources, including resources on TRPA or other regulatory official maps or records? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Is the property associated with any historically significant events and/or sites or persons? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Does the proposal have the potential to cause a physical change which would affect unique ethnic cultural values? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| e. Will the proposal restrict historic or pre-historic religious or sacred uses within the potential impact area? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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b. Extensive Cultural Resource surveys and review has taken place as part of the preparation of the Timber Harvesting Plan. There has been notification made to local tribes, historical record searches and ground surveys. The THP process keeps Cultural Resource findings confidential to protect resources. The THP also includes measures for protection of unknown resources if found. Review of the resources and protection measures have been reviewed and incorporated into the THP. The protection measures include the placement of visual flagging exclusion boundary and the notification to the State Archaeologist if cultural resources are identified during timber harvesting activities.

21. Findings of Significance

| | Yes | No | No, with mitigation | Data insufficient |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California or Nevada history or prehistory? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| b. Does the project have the potential to achieve short-term, to the disadvantage of long-term, environmental goals? (A short-term impact on the environment is one which occurs in a relatively brief, definitive period of time, while long-term impacts will endure well into the future.) | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| c. Does the project have impacts which are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (A project may impact on two or more separate resources where the impact on each resource is relatively small, but where the effect of the total of those impacts on the environmental is significant?) | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| d. Does the project have environmental impacts which will cause substantial adverse effects on human being, either directly or indirectly? | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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The project has individually limited impacts that will be mitigated throughout timber harvesting activities, and cumulatively no significant impact due to the enhanced stewardship nature of the project as a whole. The project aims to improve ecosystem health, increase forest resiliency to pests and extreme wildfire behavior, and add to public safety in Homewood.



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DECLARATION:

I hereby certify that the statements furnished above and in the attached exhibits present the data and information required for this initial evaluation to the best of my ability, and that the facts, statements, and information presented are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Date

Applicant Written Comments: (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Determination:

On the basis of this evaluation:

- a. The proposed project could not have a significant effect on the environment and a finding of no significant effect shall be prepared in accordance with TRPA's Rules of Procedure YES NO
- b. The proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, but due to the listed mitigation measures which have been added to the project, could have no significant effect on the environment and a mitigated finding of no significant effect shall be prepared in accordance with TRPA's Rules and Procedures. YES NO
- c. The proposed project may have a significant effect on the environment and an environmental impact statement shall be prepared in accordance with this chapter and TRPA's Rules of Procedures. YES NO

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TRPA Forester

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