Emergency Notice Notification Letter

Date

RPF Name

Affiliation

Address

Phone

Native American Name

Affiliation

Address

Dear Cultural Resources Representative:

I am currently in the process of preparing a Notice of Emergency Timber Operations in ­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_County. Emergency Timber Operations oftentimes include the construction of skid trails, roads, and log landing areas in addition to tree cutting over one year. The primary purpose of this written notification, which is required by the Forest Practice Rules, is to provide you with an opportunity to disclose the existence of any Native American cultural resources that you know or suspect may be located within the project area, and to advise you of the opportunity to comment on the plan.

As part of my archaeological review for this project I respectfully request any information that you wish to share about cultural resources that may exist within the project area. This notification provides you the opportunity to disclose the existence of Native American archaeological sites, cultural sites, and/or tribal cultural resources within or adjacent to the project which could potentially be affected by the project. You also have the opportunity to submit other comments regarding the project.

The project is located between approximately \_\_\_ miles \_\_\_\_ (direction) from \_\_\_\_\_ (nearest town or landmark) . The legal description is a portion of Section \_\_ in T\_\_\_, R\_\_\_; \_\_BM. Two maps are enclosed to provide the precise location. The first map is a general location map that displays the travel route from \_\_\_. The second map provides a more detailed project location on a USGS 7.5’ topographic quadrangle (or an equivalent). This map displays the approximate boundary of the plan area and includes a map legend and scale.

If you have any information concerning cultural resources within the project area, or if you have any questions concerning the proposed Emergency Timber Operations, please contact me at \_\_\_ \_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ (area code and phone number). Please respond within **7 days** of the postmark date at the address or phone number above, so that I can incorporate site protection measures into the Emergency Notice prior to submittal to the California Department of Foresty and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE). Locations of sites you disclose will be kept confidential. I expect the plan will be submitted to the CAL FIRE Director on \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

A Confidential Archaeological Letter (CAL) has been prepared for the plan and a copy of pertinent information contained within the CAL may, at the discretion of the Director, be obtained by contacting CAL FIRE at 6105 Airport Road, Redding, CA. 96002; (530) 224-2445. Please refer to the \_\_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Notice in any correspondence, and contact me at the phone number above if you have any questions or information that will help identify and protect archaeological and cultural sites.

I have surveyed this site for Native American archaeological and/or cultural sites and (have or have not) discovered any pre-historic sites within the project area. (if sites found describe and provide proposed protection measures).

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions concerning this proposed project or what is being requested in this letter.

Sincerely,

RPF signature

Enclosures: General Location and Project Location Maps