ARTS-MU

Articles of Incorporation of a Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation

To form a nonprofit mutual benefit corporation in California, you can fill out this form or prepare your own document, and submit for filing along with:

- A \$30 filing fee.
- A separate, non-refundable \$15 service fee also must be included, if you drop off the completed form or document.

Important! Nonprofit corporations in California are not automatically exempt from paying California franchise tax or income tax each year. For information about tax requirements and/or applying for tax-exempt status in California, go to https://www.ftb.ca.gov/businesses/exempt organizations or call the California Franchise Tax Board at (916) 845-4171.

Note: Before submitting this form, you should consult with a private attorney for advice about your specific business needs.

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For questions about this form, go to www.sos.ca.gov/business/be/filing-tips.htm

Corporate Name (List the proposed corporate name. Go to www.sos.ca.gov/business/be/name-availability.htm for general corporate name requirements and restrictions.)

The name of the corporation is ____ Sierrans for Responsible Resource Development

Corporate Purpose

This corporation is a nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation organized under the Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law. The purpose of this corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity, other than credit union business, for which a corporation may be organized under such law.

Service of Process (List a California resident or an active 1505 corporation in California that agrees to be your initial agent to accept service of process in case your corporation is sued. You may list any adult who lives in California. You may not list your own corporation as the agent. Do not list an address if the agent is a 1505 corporation as the address for service of process is already on file.)

③ a. Patricia L. Nelson

Agent's Name

b. 13449 Grand Oaks Place, Grass Valley,

CA 95945

Agent's Street Address (if agent is not a corporation) - Do not list a P.O. Box City (no abbreviations)

State Zip

Corporate Addresses

(4) a. 431 Crown Point Circle, Ste. 150, Grass Valley, CA 95945

Initial Street Address of Corporation - Do not list a P.O. Box

City (no abbreviations)

State

b. P.O. Box 404, Grass Valley, CA 95945

Initial Mailing Address of Corporation, if different from 4a

City (no abbreviations)

State Zip

Additional Statements (The following statements are for tax-exempt status in California.)

- (5) a. The specific purpose of this corporation is to refer to Attachment A.
 - b. Notwithstanding any of the above statements of purposes and powers, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the specific purposes of this corporation.

This form must be signed by each incorporator. If you need more space, attach extra pages that are 1-sided and on standard letter-sized paper (8 1/2" x 11"). All attachments are made part of these articles of incorporation.

Print your name here

Make check/money order payable to: Secretary of State Upon filing, we will return one (1) uncertified copy of your filed document for free, and will certify the copy upon request and payment of a \$5 certification fee.

By Mail Secretary of State Business Entities, P.O. Box 944260 Sacramento, CA 94244-2600

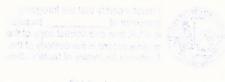
Drop-Off Secretary of State 1500 11th Street., 3rd Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

Attachment A

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The purposes for which this corporation is organized are to be a(n):

- 1) Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation organized under the Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law. The purpose of this corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity, other than credit union business, for which a corporation may be organized under such law.
- 2) Social welfare organization within the meaning of Section 501(c)4 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended (the "Code").
- 3) Organization whose purpose is to educate residents, businesses, government agencies, and community about the benefits of responsible and sustainable resource industry practices in the Sierra Nevada Mountains.



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I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of page(s) is a full, true and correct copy of the original record in the custody of the California Secretary of State's office,

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Date:

ALEX PADILLA, Secretary of State