



State of California
The Natural Resources Agency
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE Conex Modification 2

PROJECT LOCATION 4501 State Highway 104, Ione, CA 95640

COUNTY Amador

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) is planning activities to improve all-weather access to conex storage containers on the firegrounds at the CAL FIRE Training Center in Ione. Fire Academy students use conex containers as storage lockers for their turnouts and other personal gear, so the containers must be accessible during all times of the year. The area surrounding the storage containers becomes muddy after rain events, hindering access to gear during the winter months. A 46' x 40' concrete pad will be installed and storage containers will be placed on the paved pad, improving access to the containers. Gravel will be installed between the new concrete pad and one existing storage container that will remain in place, to cover an area approximately 10' x 70'.

EXEMPTION STATUS

- Categorical Exemption Type/Section: Class 4, §15304:
Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemption (state code section):
- Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT


This project fits the description for a Class 4, §15304: Minor Alterations to Land Categorical Exemption to CEQA. Field review by CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. The project consists of installation of a 46' x 40' concrete pad and gravel installation adjacent to an existing conex storage container. The activities will not result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant or animal species, or sedimentation to surface waters. CAL FIRE staff has concluded that no significant environmental impact would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forestland/timberland, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation/traffic, or to utilities and service systems.

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