

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



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

PROJECT TITLE	San Luis Obispo Headquarters Office and Warehouse Temporary Lease		
PROJECT LOCATION	1150 Laurel Lane, Suite 175, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401	COUNTY	San Luis Obispo
PUBLIC AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The San Luis Obispo (SLO) regional headquarters facility located at 635 North Santa Rosa, in the City of San Luis Obispo has been slated for demolition and replacement in 2021. Staff currently located at this office will need to be relocated during the construction period (approximately 12-24 months). Temporary office space was located within an existing office complex located at 1150 Laurel Lane, Suite 175, in San Luis Obispo. The office space/warehouse lease will consist of 8,136 sf. Approximately 32 CAL FIRE staff will occupy the leased space. The lease terms are expected to begin in April 2021 and extend until the new HQ construction is complete (approximately May 2023), but the lease may be extended to accommodate construction schedule.

Minor interior tenant improvements would occur within the new office space including electrical work, individual office rooms, and modular office systems.

EXEMPTION STATUS

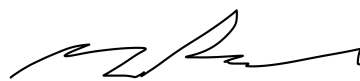
- Categorical Exemption Type and Section: 14 CCR Existing Facilities
Class 1 - 15301
 - Statutory Exemption (state code section):
 - Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
 - Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
 - Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
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REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

The project is consistent with the Class 1 Categorical Exemption, Title 14 CCR§15301, that consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, *leasing*, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

The new office lease would not change the current operations and consists of minor tenant improvements within an existing office building. No other activities are proposed. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at 1131 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95818

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