

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



State of California
The Natural Resources Agency
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

PROJECT TITLE	Porterville Fire Station Generator Installation		
PROJECT LOCATION	26488 AVE 140 Porterville, CA 93257 T22S R28E Section 6 MDB&M	COUNTY	Tulare
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

CAL FIRE proposes to install a generator at the Porterville Fire Station to ensure continued operations during power outages. Installation will require excavation of a 5' x 12' x 6" pad, a 9' x 14' x 6" pad, and approximately 30' of trenching to a depth of 30" to connect to gas and electric lines. The location of the work is within the developed area of the station grounds, where soil disturbance has occurred in the past. Work is anticipated to take approximately 1-2 weeks to complete.

EXEMPTION STATUS

- Categorical Exemption Type/Section: §15303 New Construction of Small Structures; Class 3 (d)
 - 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

This project fits under 15303 New Construction of Small Structure; Class 3 (d). The project activities would occur within previously disturbed areas. Field review by CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no 15300.2. Exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. 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, energy, 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, utilities and service systems, or wildfire. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at CAL FIRE Tulare Headquarters at 1986 South Lovers Ln Visalia, CA 93292.

DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matthew Reischman'.

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Matthew Reischman, Assistant Deputy Director Date
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