

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



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

PROJECT TITLE	Columbia Air Attack Base Hangar Lease		
PROJECT LOCATION	1000 Technology Drive, Columbia, California 95310 (Columbia Airport)	COUNTY	Tuolumne
LEAD AGENCY	CAL FIRE		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

CAL FIRE is proposing to sub-lease existing hangar lease consisting of 4,620 sf to store a Black Hawk helicopter at the existing Columbia Air Attack Base within the Columbia Airport.

The project site is located within an operational airport on a parcel that has been developed. No improvements are proposed.

EXEMPTION STATUS

- Categorical Exemption Type/Section: §15301 Existing Facilities; Class 1
 - 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 15301 Existing Facilities, Class 1: 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 existing or former use. CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. 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 1131 S Street, Sacramento CA 95811.

DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING

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Matthew Reischman, Assistant Deputy Director Date
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