

CAL FIRE St. Helena Auto Shop and Warehouse Replacement
Notice of Determination

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

Office of Planning and Research
1400 10th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM:

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
1416 9th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code

PROJECT TITLE: CAL FIRE St. Helena Auto Shop and Warehouse Replacement

State Clearinghouse Number

2021090162

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Project Approval

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) adopted the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and approved the CAL FIRE St. Helena Auto Shop and Warehouse Replacement on September 19, 2022.

Project Location

The CAL FIRE Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit (LNU) Headquarters and St. Helena Forest Fire Station are located on the east and west sides of State Route (SR) 29 at 1199 Big Tree Road, St. Helena (east site) and 3535 St. Helena Highway, Calistoga (west site), respectively, Napa County, California. The west site is approximately 6.5 acres and the east site is approximately 5.4 acres. The sites are used in conjunction by CAL FIRE as a fire base.

Project Description

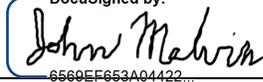
The Project will include, but not be limited to, a new 10,570 square foot (sf) auto shop, 7,200 sf warehouse, 1,700 sf covered vehicle wash rack, 1,400 sf covered pump test pit, 1,000 sf generator and fire pump building, 200,000-gallon fire water tank, and 1,000-gallon gas and 1,500-gallon diesel fuel vaults. The square footages stated above are approximate. The former auto shop was destroyed in an internal fire in 2019. The existing warehouse, tire shop, three sheds, and former auto shop concrete slab would be demolished to make room for the new auto shop, which would be larger than the previous one. The structures to be demolished are all located on the west site. The existing fuel vaults would also be demolished and replaced with new vaults of the same size.

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CAL FIRE, as the Lead Agency, has approved the above-described Project and has made the following determinations:

- There is no substantial evidence that the Proposed Project will have a significant effect on the environment;
- In accordance with CEQA, a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project was prepared. The Mitigated Negative Declaration has been adopted by CAL FIRE, which is the Lead Agency for the Proposed Project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration and record of project approval may be examined at the Department of General Services, Real Estate Services Division, 707 3rd Street, Fourth Floor, West Sacramento, California, 95605. The Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the CAL FIRE;
- Mitigation measures were required to be made a condition of approval of the Proposed Project;
- A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not required to be adopted for the Proposed Project; and
- A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan was adopted for the Proposed Project.

This is to certify that the Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration including comments and responses, the mitigation monitoring and reporting plan, and record of Project approval is available to the general public at: Department of General Services, Real Estate Services Division, 707 3rd Street, Fourth Floor, West Sacramento, California, 95605.

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Signature

Date

John Melvin, Assistant Deputy Director
Resource Protection & Improvement
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