

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



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

PROJECT TITLE	Tollhouse Fire Center Lease		
PROJECT LOCATION	27444 East Tollhouse, CA 93667	COUNTY	Fresno
LEAD AGENCY	CAL FIRE		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project consists of re-negotiating a long-term lease with an option to purchase the buildings and land that is owned by the Sierra Unified School District. The property is located at 27444 East Tollhouse Road, Tollhouse, CA 93667.

The lease consists of eight buildings for a total of 34,108 sf. As part of the lease minor improvements will be made to the structures that includes HVAC replacement in the office building, 10 window replacements in the Kitchen/Cafeteria, and construction of eight showers (men and women's bathrooms) in the Barracks building.

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))

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.

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