## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



PROJECT TITLE	CAL FIRE TCU Baseline Kitchen Facility Improvement		
PROJECT LOCATION	16809 New Peoria Flat Road Jamestown, CA 95327 Township 01 North, Range 13 East, Section 22	COUNTY	Tuolumne
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The project entails demolition and remodeling of an existing kitchen facility, as well as installation of exterior lighting and upgrades to a parking area, including addition of an ADA accessible parking stall. All proposed activities are located at existing facilities, on a previously disturbed and built site. No new ground disturbance will occur, and all work will be confined to the footprint of existing facilities. Staging of materials and any vehicles/equipment related to construction activities will be confined to existing parking areas at the Baseline Fire Center facility.

EXEMPTION STATUS					
$\boxtimes$	Categorical Exemption	Type: Existing Facilities §15301	Class: 1		
		Replacement or Reconstruction §15302	Class: 2		
	Statutory Exemption (state code section):				
	Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)				
	Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))				
	Emergency Project (§21	080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))			

## **REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT**

This project fits under portions of 14 CCR §15301, Existing Facilities and §15302, Replacement or Reconstruction. Renovation activities of the existing kitchen facility falls under §15301. Demolition and reconstruction of the kitchen parking facility will occur on the same footprint as the existing facility and falls under §15302. The project will provide necessary infrastructure and facility improvements to support the functionality of the Baseline Fire Center. The project is not anticipated to any adverse impacts on biological or botanical resources, or surface waters of the state. A CAL FIRE Associate Archaeologist was consulted, and the project is not anticipated to have any adverse impacts to cultural resources.

Field review by CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no exceptions apply that would preclude the use of a notice of exemption for this project. The Department 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, populations and housing, public services, recreation, transportation/ traffic, utilities and service systems, or to wildfire. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at the Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit Headquarters in San Andreas.

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