

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Mono
PO Box 237
Bridgeport, Ca 93517

From: (Public Agency): Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District
PO Box 5 / 3150 Main St.
Mammoth Lakes, Ca 93546
(Address)

Project Title: Valentine Reserve Prescribed Pile Burn

Project Applicant: Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District

Project Location - Specific:
37.628164, -118.994524. APN 520-005-000. 2386 Old Mammoth Rd.. ML Ca. 93546

Project Location - City: Mammoth Lakes Project Location - County: Mono

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

To reduce fuels in Valentine Reserve from a 25-acre fuel reduction project by prescribed pile burn of slash piles. There are approximately 150 piles dispersed over 9 acres. To reduce the risk of catastrophic fire by improving fire resiliency through vegetation treatments. Focus is on removing brush, vegetation and ground litter, reducing the amount of hazardous fuels in the reserve, which will help prepare for, and avoid the impact of an out of control catastrophic wildfire.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15304 - Minor Alterations to Land
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project will involve minor ground disturbance, the project will not include any grading or excavation. The project will involve burning hand piles from a previous year's fuel reduction project and will not result in the loss of forest cover, scenic trees, and will not change the predominate vegetation type.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Bob Rooks Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760-934-2300

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: [Signature] Date: 5-19-2024 Title: Fire Chief

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: