

Notice of Exemption

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From: San Bernardino County
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Project Description

Project Title: Post-Bridge Fire Emergency Road Protective Measures

Project Location: County maintained road segments and road culvert crossings located in the unincorporated communities of Wrightwood and Phelan. Refer to Exhibit A for list of roads in need of emergency protective measures.

Project Description: On September 8, 2024, the Bridge Fire ignited in San Bernardino County, burning approximately 56,030 acres. A Governor Proclaimed State of Emergency has been declared for San Bernardino County. Given the severity of the burn caused by the fires, there is significant concern about heightened post-fire runoff from steep hillslopes, as well as an increased risk of soil erosion and debris flows, which could potentially impact roads with culverts downstream of the fire scar. Emergency work includes, but is not limited to, removal of sediment and debris, regrading and repairing of roads and shoulders, repaving, cleaning/repairing of road culverts, and repair/replacement of appurtenant structures.

Applicant

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Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial [Sec. 21080(B)(1); 15268];
 Declared Emergency [Sec. 21080(B)(3); 15269(a)(b)(c)];
 Emergency Project [Sec. 21080(B)(4); 15269(b)];
 Categorical Exemption. State type and section: _____
 Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____
 Other Exemption: _____

Reasons why project is exempt: Section 15269(a) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines allows for emergency repairs to an area which a State of Emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor, as Governor Newsom declared on September 7, 2024. Section 15269(b) allows for emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned facilities to maintain service essential to public health, safety, or welfare. Emergency repairs include those that require a reasonable amount of planning to address an anticipated emergency. Section 15269(c) allows for specific actions taken to mitigate for an emergency.

Engineering Manager, Environmental Mgmt. Div.

Title

Date

Signature: Arlene B. Chun, M.S., P.E.

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: N/A

Exhibit A
List of roads and locations for Emergency Protective Measures CEQA NOE

Road Name: Thrush Road

Site Location: Thrush Road at Heath Creek is located between Victorville Street and Heath Creek Drive in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: Lone Pine Canyon Road

Site Location: Lone Pine Canyon Road at Sheep Creek is located between Desert View Drive and Summit Drive in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: Cardinal Road

Site Location: Cardinal Road at Swarthout Creek is south of State Highway 2, approximately 0.02 miles east of the San Bernardino County and Los Angeles County line in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: Acorn Drive

Site Location: Pipe culvert located on Acorn Drive, south of Snowbird Road and North of Evergreen Drive in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: Twin Lakes Drive

Site Location: Twin Lakes Drive is located between Finch Road and Cedar Street in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: Oriole Road

Site Location: The pipe culvert is located at 789 Oriole Road, closest cross street is Conifer Drive, in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: Lark Road

Site Location: A pipe culvert on Lark Road at Mill Road, approximately 0.07 miles west of Acorn Drive in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: Phelan Road

Site Location: Phelan Road at Sheep Creek is located between Buckwheat Road and Ash Road in the unincorporated community of Phelan.

Road Name: Bear Valley Road/Duncan Road

Site Location: Bear Valley Road/ Duncan Road at Sheep Creek is located between Rosado Road and Amarillo Road in the unincorporated community of Phelan.

Road Name: Edna Street

Site Location: Edna Street is between Apple Avenue and Lark Road in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Exhibit A

List of roads and locations for Emergency Protective Measures CEQA NOE

Road Name: **Mill Road**

Site Location: Mill Road is located between Edna Street and Lark Road in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: **Apple Avenue**

Site Location: Apple Avenue is located between Evergreen Road and Edna Street in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: **Partridge Road**

Site Location: Located between Eagle Road and Pheasant Road in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: **Eagle Road**

Site Location: Located between Mockingbird Road and Partridge Road in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.

Road Name: **Mockingbird Road**

Site Location: Located between Oriole Road and Eagle Road in the unincorporated community of Wrightwood.