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Project Title

Conditional Use Permit 2024-10/Elks Park

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Notice of Exemption - Inyo County

To: Office of Planning and Research
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Project Title: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 2024-10/Elks Park.

Project Applicant: Bishop Elks Lodge #1603, Steve Keef, Exalted Ruler, Trustee.

Applicant Phone Number: 760-920-8318

Project Location - Specific: The subject property is located at 3301 West Line Street, Bishop.

Project Location - City: Bishop, CA

Project Location - County: Inyo

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The applicant, Bishop Elks, applied for a CUP to continue to operate a currently non-conforming lodge that includes recreational activities, RV camping, and event rentals that involve large assemblages of people. The Bishop Elks Lodge has been operating at 3301 West Line Street, Bishop, since 1979. The applicant is asking for the CUP to continue these already established uses on the property without any expansion, building or additional uses. As part of their events and operations the Elks donate to the community as a whole and allow the surrounding property owners access to the park.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Inyo County Planning Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Inyo County Planning Department

Exempt Status: *(check one)*

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
 General Rule (Sec. 15061(b)(3));

- Existing Facilities, (Section 15301, Class 1)
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

Reasons why project is exempt: Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the proposal is covered by 15301 – Existing Facilities, Class 1. 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 use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency’s determination. *This CUP is for property that has been used for the proposed activities since 1979. No changes or expansion to the current use will be made and no additional areas of the property will be built upon or otherwise disturbed and is therefore Exempt under 15301.*

Lead Agency: Inyo County Planning Department

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Cathreen Richards, Inyo County Planning Director

Date: 2/26/2025