

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E****To:** Office of Planning and ResearchP.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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County Clerk

County of: Los Angeles12400 Imperial HighwayNorwalk, CA 90650Project Title: Tonner Canyon SouthProject Applicant: N/A

Project Location – City of Diamond Bar; Thomas Guide, Map 680, B-6, B-7, C-6, and C-7

Project Location - City: Diamond BarProject Location - County: Los Angeles**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The Los Angeles County Fire Department has identified a 350-acre parcel of land owned by the City of Industry, located south of Diamond Bar, that will undergo treatment. This plan aims to protect Diamond Ridge and Country Estates by enhancing defensible space by creating and maintaining a fuel break, along with implementing fuel modification actions. The plan will employ prescribed fire techniques, such as broadcast and pile burning, to support the governor's emergency proclamation to reduce hazardous fuels around communities within the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Los Angeles Fire DepartmentName of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: County of Los Angeles Fire Department**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: Class 4 15304 Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project fits under portions of Class 4 Categorical Exemption described in CCR 14 Section 15304 pertaining to minor alterations to the land. County of Los Angeles Fire Department Foresters has conducted a limited environmental review of the project. The exceptions that must be considered by the lead agencies are a) sensitive locations, b) cumulative impacts, c) significant impacts due to unusual circumstances, d) impacts to scenic highways, e) activities within hazard waste sites, f) significant adverse change to significance historical resources (14 CCR Section 15300.2). Field review by LACoFD Forestry staff confirmed that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at Natural Resource Section Office in Pacoima.

Lead AgencyContact Person: Evan Conklin Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (213) 503-6324**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: Evan Conklin Date: 3/12/2025 Title: Deputy Forester

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant