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## Notice of Exemption - Inyo County

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**Project Title:** Zone Text Amendment 2025-01/Density Bonus Overlay Amendment

**Project Applicant:** Planning Department, 168 N. Edwards St., Independence, CA 93526

**Applicant Phone Number:** (760) 878-0263

**Project Location - Specific:** Inyo County-wide

**Project Location - City:** Inyo County-wide

**Project Location - County:** Inyo

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** Inyo County's ordinance will update Chapter 18.65 of the Inyo County Code to reflect the requirements of State Density Bonus Law with regard to Density Bonus options for affordable housing development. The Chapter 18.65 Density Bonus Overlay ordinance will incorporate by reference the State Density Bonus requirements as detailed in Government Code Section 65915, et. seq. and as it will be updated from time to time.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Inyo County Board of Supervisors

**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));  
 Minor alterations to land use limitations, (Section 15305)  
 Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));  
 Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));


**Reasons why project is exempt:**

Pursuant to Government Code section 15061(b)(3), CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. This zone text amendment is a proposal to amend parts of the County Code to comply with current State Density Bonus Law, the requirements set forth by the California Department of Housing and Community Development approved County's 6th cycle Housing Element Update, and does not add residential densities or uses that have not previously been evaluated under CEQA or are currently not allowed by the zoning code.

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