

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
State of California
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
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From: County of San Bernardino
Fire Protection District
598 S. Tippecanoe Ave., 2nd Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0451

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Bernardino
385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Second Floor
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Hesperia Dozer Training

This Exemption involves the reduction of hazardous fuels and fire protection of 1200 unimproved acres the City of Hesperia. This project will include simulation of fire suppression line construction using mechanized equipment and ignition of live vegetation. Project activities will consist of vegetation removal, elimination of hazardous dead or dying vegetation, and cutting line using mechanized equipment. These activities are being coordinated with the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Location:

East of Los Flores Road and the California Aqueduct in Hesperia.

APN's: 039704128, 039704130, 039704129, and 035717123

Longitude 34.35060, Latitude -117.31121

APPLICANT

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REPRESENTATIVE

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State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

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Area Code/Telephone Number

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial [Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268];
 Declared Emergency [Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)];
 Emergency Project [Sec. 21080(b)(2); 15269(b)(c)];
 Categorical Exemption. Section 15304 – Minor Alterations to Land
 Statutory Exemptions. State code number.

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Reasons why Project is exempt:

Class 4 allows for minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes, further defined by not defined as wetland, seismic zones wildlife management areas. Assessment of the project location has determined it is not any of the restricted areas and will not result in significant effects on biological and archeological resources nor the environment. The scope of the project will improve fire protection safety zones ingress/egress routes and reduce the fuel load (including ladder fuels) around the local communities, establishing greater defensible space.


Signature (Public Agency)

Jim Topoleski

2/5/25

Date

Division Chief

Title

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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