NOTICE OF EXEMPTION 2019028515

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CA Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

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Project Title: CA Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Temecula Fire Station Project

Project Location – southeast corner of De Portola Road and Avenida Road

Project Location - City: Temecula

Project Location - County: Riverside

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire) seeks to acquire an approximately 10 acres parcel of land located at the southeast corner of De Portola Road and Avenida Road in the City of Temecula, Riverside County. The acquisition will provide property to construct a fire station in Temecula which will accommodate required fire station facilities, associated equipment and Cal Fire personnel. Future actions, including development of the property, will undergo complete environmental review as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Jerry Leong, Capital Outlay Lands Analyst, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection 916-445-0577.

EXEMPT STATUS: California Code if Regulations, Title 14, Section 15061(b)(3): General Rule/Common Sense Exemption

Reason Why Project Is Exempt: The acquisition activity is exempt under the "general rule" or "common sense" exemption at California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15061, subdivision (b)(3). The common sense exemption states a project is exempt from CEQA if "the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen 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." The land acquisition agreements that transfer the ownership to the State do not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Any future approval of any use of the site is conditioned upon full CEQA compliance per California Code of Regulations, Title 14Section 15004, Subdivision (b)(2)(B), which states prior to completion of CEQA compliance regarding the use of a site, "agencies may designate a preferred site for CEQA review and may enter into land acquisition agreements when the agency has conditioned the agency's future use of the site on CEQA compliance."

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