



State of California
 The Natural Resources Agency
 California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE	Owens Valley Dozer Barn		
PROJECT LOCATION	Owens Valley Conservation Camp, 2781 South Round Valley Road, Bishop, CA 93514 Section 27, 34, 35 T06S R31E MDBM	COUNTY	Mono County
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project is located at the Owens Valley Conservation Camp, a CAL FIRE/California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facility located northwest of the town of Bishop, CA. The property is primarily surrounded by open space owned and managed by the Bureau of Land Management or the Los Angeles Department of Power and Water. The project site is located adjacent to existing buildings and infrastructure and consists of approximately 0.75 acres of previously-disturbed land/habitat (i.e., barren dirt lot and disturbed sage scrub) and non-native vegetative cover (i.e., ornamental/lawn landscaping); a single western juniper tree (*Juniperus occidentalis*) will be removed during project implementation.

The purpose of the project is to provide a covered storage barn/garage (hereafter referred to as the “dozer barn”) for a CAL FIRE D6 bulldozer and associated transport/utility vehicles and maintenance equipment, as well as office space and bathrooms for CAL FIRE equipment operators and maintenance staff. Project activities will include all necessary construction for the installation of the dozer barn, as well as all associated infrastructure expansion and improvements including a driveway for ingress and egress, building aprons, and sewer, water, and power utilities. The dozer barn will have interior dimensions of 50’ x 70’, with a resulting exterior dimension of approximately 52’ x 72’. In addition, the dozer barn will have a 20’ x 40’ approach apron to the south and a 40’ x 70’ apron to the north, both constructed of concrete. The proposed dozer driveway will be 20’ wide and 800’ long and be constructed of concrete. This will result in 600 cubic yards of grading. Trenches for utilities will be approximately 3’ in depth, 18” wide, and 1500’ long.

EXEMPTION STATUS

- Categorical Exemption Type/Section: Class 3 §15303 New construction or conversion of small structures
- Statutory Exemption (state code section):
- Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

The project meets the requirements of Class 3 Categorical Exemption (New construction or conversion of small structures) Section 15303. Class 3 consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. The project fits the description of example “E” as an accessory structure. No exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a “Notice of Exemption” for this project. It has been concluded that no significant adverse environmental impacts would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forest resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, energy, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, mineral resources, noise, populations and housing, public services, recreation, transportation and traffic, utilities and service systems, or wildfire. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the CALFIRE staff is kept on file at CAL FIRE’s San Bernardino Unit Headquarters in San Bernardino, CA.

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