

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Sierra District Headquarters
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PROJECT TITLE: D.L. Bliss Visitor Center LPG Tank Installation

LOCATION: D. L. Bliss State Park

COUNTY: El Dorado

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Replace the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Tank serving the D.L. Bliss State Park Visitor's Center's forced air heating unit to improve conditions for park visitors. Work will:

- Remove the existing 1150 gallon (LPG) tank from site; abandon and cap off both ends of the non-functioning buried gas line.

On the exterior west side of the building:

- Excavate a 8' x 3' x 6" area for a new poured cement pad and place a single regulator LPG 250 gallon tank onto the new pad.
- Install a free standing upright regulator with a shut off valve 3' from the window.
- Excavate approximately four 12" deep x 12" wide holes; install one 4" x 4" redwood post in each hole and attach an approximately 30" wide x 24" x 39" free standing shelter to the posts to protect the regulator and valve.

On the exterior south side of the building:

- Remove a 10' x 2" x 6" area of rotting deck boards for new trench location.
- Trench approximately 45' x 6" x 18" along the back side of the Visitor's Center in previously disturbed soil; place 3/4" polyethylene piping with tracer tape in trench to the crawl space, connect to the regulator. Attach approximately 15' x 3/4" black iron pipe from the polyethylene piping to the forced air heating unit; attach pipe to the existing floor joists with pipe strap.
- Install 3/4" black iron pipe from the LPG tank to grade and connect to 3/4" polyethylene piping; backfill trench to grade; re-construct decking with new 2" x 6" boards.

Additional work will remove two manzanita bushes and one 5" diameter fir tree and remove lower limbs 10' from grade on one 12" diameter fir tree.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Sierra District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption Classes: 1, 2, 3 & 4 Sections: 15301, 15302, 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the repair or minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible expansion of use beyond current levels; replacement of existing facilities located on the same site as the facility replaced and having substantially the same purpose and capacity; construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities and minor public alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry purposes; included as "utility repairs or minor upgrades" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR§15300.4.

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