

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: Donner Museum Re-Use

LOCATION: Donner Memorial State Park

COUNTY: Nevada

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Re-utilize the old Emigrant Trail Museum at Donner Memorial State Park as space for offices and employee use. Work will:

- Remove artifacts and displays in the main exhibit room; construct a wall to divide the room in half and install a second door. Re-use half of the space for a curator artifact storage area and the other half for a meeting room and ranger defensive tactics training room.
- On exterior wall, install two 6' x 8' dual pane windows, paint outside trim brown to match existing.
- Convert existing artifact storage area to a State Parks Foundation storage area and the museum staff office to a copier and office supply room.
- Convert the existing foundation storage and safe room to an evidence lock up room and the existing front desk and foundation store area to volunteer staff gathering and break area.
- Convert the existing audio visual room into six 10' x 10' offices; on exterior wall install one 4' x 6' dual pane window for four of the offices, paint outside trim brown to match existing color.
- Convert original exit door to main entrance.

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

Class: 1, 3, 31

Section: 15301, 15303, 15331

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Repair and maintenance of existing public structure involving no expansion of use beyond that currently existing; conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made to the interior of the structure; and maintenance and repair of a historic resource in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR section 15300.4.

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