

State of California  
Department of Parks and Recreation

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
Sierra District Headquarters  
P.O. Box 266  
Tahoma, CA. 96142

**PROJECT TITLE:** Adit Utility Installation

**LOCATION:** Empire Mine State Historic Park

**COUNTY:** Nevada

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Install telephone, ventilation, electrical, and water utilities to the Adit Facility, Adit Tour, and Maintenance Buildings at Empire Mine State Historic Park to improve facility safety for public tours. There will be no ground disturbance to extend utilities approximately 1,000 linear feet from the existing sources in the Machine Shop into the Empire Shaft Collar and through the Empire Mine Shaft to the Adit Portal. Place PVC pipes under existing historic utilities and paint PVC pipes to match the existing historic facilities.

Work will:

- Install 1 inch diameter PVC schedule 40 conduit for T-1 computer connectivity and telephone.
- Install 1 inch diameter PVC schedule 40 conduit for ventilation control circuit.
- Install 2 inch diameter PVC schedule 80 waterline for potable water to serve the visiting public and staff restrooms.
- Install 2 inch diameter PVC schedule 80 conduit for a 3-phase 440 Volt 150 amp electrical service to power the Adit Tour and Maintenance Facilities.

This project is tiered off the Empire Mine Site Characterization and Remediation Environmental Impact Report State Clearing House # 2008082066.

**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

Section: 15301, 15303

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the minor alteration of existing public facilities involving no expansion of use beyond current levels and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities.

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