



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Tehachapi District
15101 Lancaster Road
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PROJECT TITLE: Solar Panel Upgrade

LOCATION: Red Rock Canyon State Park

COUNTY: Kern

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

The project is to upgrade the existing solar array at Red Rock Canyon State Park. Existing solar panels will be replaced with newer more efficient panels and a new ground mounted solar array will be installed. New inverters and batteries will also be installed to provide sufficient power for all facilities. All work will be done and/or near the Maintenance Shop. The only ground disturbance will be installation of supporting poles for the new ground array. All work will be conducted by Department staff.

DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project. A copy of these requirements may be obtained by submitting a request to the project Environmental Coordinator listed below

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Tehachapi

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
 Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
 Statutory Exemption (Section)
 Categorical Exemption
Class: 1, 3 Section(s): 15301 15303

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with Section 15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form including measures provided by CDPR staff, then it is exempt under CEQA §15301 – Existing Facilities and §15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures. The actions fall under the Departmental List of Exempt activities as established according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- “Utility repairs or minor upgrades” (Class 1, Section 15301); and
- “Construction or installation of park facilities...” (Class 3, Section 15303)

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