



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Tehachapi District
15101 Lancaster Road
Lancaster, CA 93536

PROJECT TITLE: New Water Well at Cooks Well Site

LOCATION: Providence SRA

COUNTY: San Bernardino

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

State Health Department issued a closure notice of Cooks Well due to the well not meeting current well standards. Cooks well was a 40 foot hand dug well developed in the 1930's before well standards were established and it was never permitted. This project is to drill a new well at current location of Cooks Well using modern equipment and current well standards.

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, Section(s): 15301

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

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