NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation  
Tehachapi District  
15101 Lancaster Road  
Lancaster, CA 93536

PROJECT TITLE: USGS Early Warning Seismic Station  
LOCATION: Colonel Allensworth SHP

COUNTY: Tulare

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:  
The proposed project is the installation of a USGS Earthquake Early Warning System. The detection system will be placed in a previously disturbed area immediately behind the Colonel Allensworth SHP maintenance shop. The installation will have minimal impact to the park unit and environment as it will be located within the footprint of the main park maintenance facility and will encompass a 35 x 10 foot area. The new update system will be located on the west side of the shop building, adjacent to the maintenance yard fence, and out of the view of the public.

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: 3, 4  Section(s): 15303  15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT

No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with Section 15300.4. 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 §15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures and §15304 – Minor Alterations to Land. The actions fall under the Departmental List of Exempt activities as established according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- "Construction or installation of park facilities (Class 3, Section 15303); and
- "Minor trenching or backfilling where the surface is restored" (Class 4, Section 15304)

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