



State of California  
The Natural Resources Agency  
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**PROJECT TITLE** Amador El Dorado Unit Headquarters – Improvements to Existing Verizon Wireless Facility

**PROJECT LOCATION** CAL FIRE's Amador El Dorado Unit Headquarters  
2840 Mount Danaher Road, Camino, CA 95709 **COUNTY** El Dorado

**LEAD AGENCY** California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

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**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

This project involves the installation of a new UL 2200 certified 60kW propane generator & 500 gallon propane tank, for emergency backup power to the existing Verizon Wireless telecommunication facility located within the 5.69-acre Mount Danaher CAL-FIRE parcel. The installation of both the generator and propane tank would be completed within two weeks once the Notice to Proceed is given. Work will begin once environmental compliance is achieved, and a signed lease amendment for the additional ground space is executed. The project would consist of two separate concrete pads, both measuring 5' x 10' x 12", one for the generator and the other for the propane tank. Both pads total 100 square feet. New protective bollards would be installed around the propane tank, as well as new underground conduits from the generator to the existing Verizon shelter for power, alarming, and monitoring. There will also be a new 3/4" buried gas line between the tank and generator. All of this work will not affect any existing vegetation.

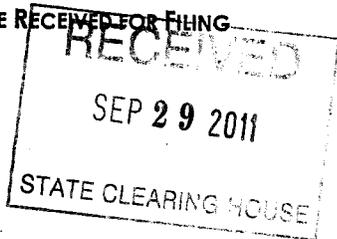
**EXEMPTION STATUS**

- Categorical Exemption** Type/Section: Class 2 §15302 Replacement or Reconstruction of Existing Structures and Facilities  
Class 4 §15304 Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemption (state code section):**
- Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)**
- Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))**
- Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))**

**REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT**

This project fits under portions of the above-listed two Categorical Exemptions authorized in the CEQA Guidelines. Research completed by the project applicant and field review by CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. The Department has concluded that no significant environmental impact would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forestland/timberland, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation/traffic, or to utilities and service systems. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at Amador El Dorado Unit Headquarters in Camino, Attention CEQA Coordinator.

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 William E. Snyder, Deputy Director Date  
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