



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

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**PROJECT TITLE**            Boonville Forest Fire Station (FFS) Road Repair

**PROJECT LOCATION**    Address: Boonville FFS, 16001 Highway 128, Boonville, CA 95415            **COUNTY**    Mendocino  
 Legal Description: T13N, R13W; Section 18; T13N, R14W; Section 13; Mount Diablo Baseline & Meridian

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

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**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

This project consists of repairs to an existing seasonal road that provides access to a spring and cistern that are essential parts of the CAL FIRE Mendocino Unit's Boonville FFS water supply system. The road is located on private property. Heavy equipment, including a dozer, backhoe & grader, will be used. Repair work includes road prism restoration, replacement of non-functional & undersized culverts, inside ditch alignment, & installation of energy dissipaters at culvert discharge points. The road will be shaped and graded on an annual basis as necessary. The work will be performed in the spring-summer-fall period by a qualified CAL FIRE Heavy Fire Equipment Operator (HFEO).

**EXEMPTION STATUS**

- Categorical Exemption    Type/Section: 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**

The proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment. Ground disturbance will be limited to the seasonal road, including cutbank, inside ditch & fill slope. The California Natural Diversity Data Base (CNDDB) was searched and no rare, threatened or endangered plant or animal species were identified that will be negatively impacted by this project. An archaeological records check was performed & Native American tribal groups were contacted. The CAL FIRE Area Archaeologist has been consulted and has determined that this project is exempt from further archaeological review.

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 CAL FIRE Mendocino Unit, Resource Management, 17501 N. Highway 101, Willits, CA 95490, Attn. Environmental Coordinator.

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