NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

State of California
The Natural Resources Agency
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

PROJECT TITLE	Fresno State Fire Marshall Office		
PROJECT LOCATION	855 M Street, Suite 1120, Fresno, CA 93721.	**COUNTY**	Fresno
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project consists of leasing office space and making interior renovations so that the office can accommodate eight State Fire Marshall employees. The current State Fire Marshall's office is currently located at 1234 East Shaw Avenue in Fresno. Improvements will include a modification of the kitchen area to meet ADA requirements as well as provide IT equipment space in an adjoining room. The new 3,103 square feet of office space will provide habitable working space for eight Fire Marshalls with eight separate offices, a reception area, conference room and a plan-checking area. Work is anticipated to be completed within 60 days, with an expected move-in date sometime in October 2015.

EXEMPTION STATUS

- [x] Categorical Exemption Type/Section: Class 1 §15301(a) Existing Facilities
- [ ] 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 project consists of leasing and renovating existing office space that is within an office complex. The office will be occupied by eight State Fire Marshall office employees. CCR Section 15301, Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. This project fall under 15301(a) Interior or exterior alterations involving such things as interior partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances.

CAL FIRE staff has determined 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 or 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 or traffic, or to utilities and service systems. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at 1234 East Shaw Avenue, Fresno, CA 93710.

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