NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

PROJECT TITLE	Lockwood Forest Fire Station – Apparatus Building Modification		
PROJECT LOCATION	CAL FIRE's Lockwood Forest Fire Station 69820 Jolon Road Lockwood, CA 93932-0182	**COUNTY**	Monterey
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project will add an extension to the apparatus bay at an existing forest fire station in order to accommodate the new, larger fire engines to be housed at the station. The new Model 34 engines do not fit within the existing apparatus bay. The project activity consists of constructing an extension to the front exterior of the apparatus bay to increase the length, thus allowing the fire engine to be parked inside. The construction will take place within an existing fire station compound on a paved area. This is an adaptive reuse of a historical building. There are no biological species concerns for this project.

EXEMPTION STATUS

- [x] Categorical Exemption Type/Section: Class 3 § 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures
- [ ] 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 a Class 3 Categorical Exemption described in §15303 of the CEQA Guidelines. 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. The building is over 50 years old but evaluation by Department personnel concluded the building is not a significant historical resource and this modification will not cause impacts to historical resources. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at CAL FIRE's San Benito-Monterey Unit Headquarters.

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