



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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

PROJECT TITLE	Lyons Valley Fire Station Domestic Water Well Drilling, Minor Alterations		
	17559 Skyline Truck Trail		
PROJECT LOCATION	Jamul, CA 91935	COUNTY	San Diego
	SE¼ of NW¼, Section 3, T17S, R2E, SBBM		
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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Project Description:

This project proposes the drilling and development of a new domestic water well at the Lyons Valley Forest Fire Station located in the unincorporated community of Lyons Valley in San Diego County. The proposed well will be six inches nominal diameter and of sufficient depth to achieve a desired yield of five gallons per minute, and to an estimated maximum depth of 1,200 feet, or no deeper than the depth specified by the Engineer for the site. The completed well will have metal casing placed to a minimum depth of 50 feet and polyvinylchloride casing to additional depth as required by geologic conditions. A submersible pump, electrical wiring, plumbing and supporting structures will be installed as required to fully develop the well for domestic water supply. The option for a second well will only commence pending the quantity and the quality of the first well. Should the first well fail to produce the desired water flow, a second well will be drilled on the property (at either Site Option 2 or Site Option 3) with the same parameters as listed above.

A single trench: 18-inches wide by 24-inches deep and ranging in length of approximately 80-feet (Site Option 1), or 200 feet (Site Option 2), or 525 feet (Site Option 3), will be excavated from the new well head to the existing pressure pump facility. Electrical conduit and water lines will be placed within the trench and the trench backfilled and compacted. Electrical wiring and plumbing will be installed as needed to place the well into service.

EXEMPTION STATUS

- Categorical Exemption Type/Section: Class 1 and 4 15301 (c) Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemption (state code section): 15302 (f) Minor Alterations to Land
- 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 is contained within the descriptions of two Categorical Exemptions listed in the CEQA Guidelines: Class 1 pertaining to minor alterations of existing public structures and facilities, and Class 4 pertaining to minor alterations to land. After completing an environmental analysis, the Department has determined this project will have no significant impact on the environment. This determination is based on field assessments, a CNDDDB search, review of previous biological assessments, greenhouse gas emission calculations, and archaeological review completed by CAL FIRE Archaeological staff.

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 retained on file at CAL FIRE MVU Headquarters in El Cajon.

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