

# Notice of Exemption

To: ☐ Office of Planning and Research  
State of California  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: County of San Bernardino  
Fire Protection District  
157 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0451

☒ Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of San Bernardino  
385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Second Floor  
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0130

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

### Hesperia Dozer Training

This Exemption involves the reduction of hazardous fuels and fire protection of 850 unimproved acres the City of Hesperia. This project will include simulation of fire suppression line construction using mechanized equipment and ignition of live vegetation. Project activities will consist of vegetation removal, elimination of hazardous dead or dying vegetation, and cutting line using mechanized equipment. These activities are being coordinated with the State of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Location:

East of Los Flores Road and the California Aqueduct in Hesperia.

APN's: 039704128, 039704130, and 039704129

Longitude 34.35060, Latitude -117.31121

## APPLICANT

San Bernardino County  
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## REPRESENTATIVE

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State Clearinghouse Number: N/A

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Exempt Status: *(check one)*

- ☐ Ministerial [Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268];  
☐ Declared Emergency [Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)];  
☐ Emergency Project [Sec. 21080(b)(2); 15269(b)(c)];  
☒ Categorical Exemption. Section 15304 – Minor Alterations to Land  
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why Project is exempt:

Class 4 allows for minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes, further defined by not defined as wetland, seismic zones wildlife management areas. Assessment of the project location has determined it is not any of the restricted areas and will not result in significant effects on biological and archeological resources nor the environment. The scope of the project will improve fire protection safety zones ingress/egress routes and reduce the fuel load (including ladder fuels) around the local communities, establishing greater defensible space.

  
Signature (Public Agency)

Erin Opliger

4/28/2021  
Date

Special Projects Leader  
Title

☐ Signed by Lead Agency ☒ Signed by Applicant

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