State of California – The Resources Agency DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research

1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 **FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation

Sierra District P.O. Box 266

Tahoma, CA 96142

PROJECT TITLE: Plumas-Eureka State Park Fiber-optic Upgrade

LOCATION: Plumas-Eureka State Park COUNTY: Plumas

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Install new modern fiber-optic communications and re-route existing electrical services at the historic museum/visitor center located at Plumas-Eureka State Park from above to below ground to improve connectivity demands, upgrade infrastructure, and restore a more historic appearance to the area. Work will use heavy equipment and hand tools to:

- Excavate an approx. 85-ft long x 4-ft deep x 2.5-ft wide utility trench from the existing utility pole to a new Panel Board location, then to an existing electrical meter on the NW side of the museum;
- Install a 3-in. electrical conduit and 2-in. data conduit in the trench and backfill with excavated soils;
- At the NW corner of the museum, excavate an approx. 4-ft deep x 2-ft wide x 3-ft long hole and install a new 17-in. x 30-in. pull-box;
- Drill two (2) 4-in. diameter holes on the exterior of the museum to bring the fiber-optic and electrical lines into the building;
- Excavate two (2) 6-in. x 3-ft deep holes and install Panel Board supports; and attach the Panel 48 66-in. from ground level, approx. 10-ft from the existing power pole;
- Remove existing overhead powerline, conduit, and old meter from the side of the museum and apply touch-up paint to match existing color; and
- Use existing material or approved overlay to return all disturbed surfaces to preexisting conditions.

Groundwork will impact a county-maintained road and a developed area on Park property, with impacts to both undisturbed and previously disturbed earth.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Sierra District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☐ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 2, 3 & 4 Section: 15301, 15302, 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the operation, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structures replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; construction and location of limited numbers of new small facilities or structures; and minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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