

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: N/A

Project Title: New Fire Station #41 in Yucca Valley, CA

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Project Location: Yucca Valley San Bernardino
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The Project site is comprised of two (2) parcels, Assessor Parcel Numbers (APNs) 05917104 and 05916208. The total acreage for the site is 1.72 acres located in the Town of Yucca Valley on parcels owned by San Bernardino County (see Figure 1 – Regional Location). The Project site is located southwest of the intersection of Twentynine Palms Outer Highway South and Joshua Lane South (see Figure 2 – Project Vicinity). The Proponent of the Project and the Lead Agency is San Bernardino County. The Project site is within the incorporated Town of Yucca Valley General Plan with the development code of Mixed Use and is currently designated with the zoning of Mixed-Use Commercial (C-MU).

The County of San Bernardino Facilities and Project Management Department proposes to develop the new Fire Station #41 at 7238 Joshua Lane by constructing a new 13,230 square-foot station and new associated facilities (Project). The new fire station will house 5 personnel, 1 engine, and 1 paramedic truck. The total footprint of the building is 12,993 square feet. The new fire station will be part of the District's Division 4, which will serve the unincorporated area adjacent to the Town of Yucca Valley, and the contract cities of Joshua Tree and 29 Palms.

Improvements to the site would include new security fencing, a hose house, hose rack, generator, fuel tank, trash enclosure, new access road, landscaping, and hardscaping. Parking will consist of seventeen (17) parking spaces. Ingress and egress to the Project site will be via Twentynine Palms Outer Highway and Joshua Lane through two driveways: the southern driveway will be the primary entrance and exit for the emergency vehicles, while the northern driveway will serve as the public entrance and exit.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

There are potentially significant effects on biological resources. The proposed mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impact are: pre-construction surveys for burrowing owl, Parish's daisy, monarch butterfly, pallid bat, western yellow bat, and desert tortoise; exclusionary fencing for vegetation; a Worker Environmental Awareness Program; a biological monitor present during project activities; mitigation fee for western Joshua tree; and pre-construction nesting bird surveys and avoidance.

There are potentially significant effects on cultural resources. The proposed mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impact are: cultural resource discovery and coordination with tribes, a monitoring and treatment plan, a Paleontological Resource Mitigation Plan; a response to unplanned discovery of remains; and adherence to geotechnical engineering report recommendations.

There are potentially significant impacts on tribal cultural resources. The proposed mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impact are: tribal coordination and review of archaeological and cultural documents.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

No areas of known controversy.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

California Department of Fish and Wildlife