NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: ☒ Mail Stop: A-33
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Attn: Jobell Rusit
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FROM: Mail Stop: 0-368
County of San Diego,
General Services
Attn: Marcus Lubich
5560 Overland Avenue, Suite 410
San Diego, CA 92123

SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152

Project Name: License Agreement between County of San Diego and CalFire for County Fire Station 44 at 28850 Old Highway 80

Project Location: 28850 Old Highway 80, Pine Valley, CA 91962; APN: 410-120-37-00 and 410-120-47-00

Project Applicant: County of San Diego General Services, 5560 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123

Project Description: The project is a license agreement between the County of San Diego and State of California, Department of General Services on behalf of Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CalFire) to station a fire engine owned by CalFire at the existing County Fire Station 44 for the purpose of carrying out wildland fire protection pursuant to the Cooperative Fire Programs Fire Protection Reimbursement Agreement Number 3CA05942 executed between County and the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. The license term will be ten years.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

Date Form Completed: June 4, 2025

County Contact Person: Marcus Lubich

Telephone: 858-414-4593

This is to advise that the County of San Diego Director of General Services has approved the above-described project on August 20, 2025, and found the project to be exempt from the CEQA under the following criteria:

Exempt status and applicable section of the CEQA ("C") and/or State CEQA Guidelines ("G"): (check only one)

☐ Declared Emergency [C 21080(b)(3); G 15269(a)]
☐ Emergency Project [C 21080(b)(4); G 15269(b)(c)]
☐ Statutory Exemption. C Section:
☒ Categorical Exemption. G Section(s): 15301. Existing Facilities
☐ G 15182 – Residential Projects Pursuant to a Specific Plan
☐ Activity is exempt from the CEQA because it is not a project as defined in Section 15378.
☐ G 15061(b)(3) - It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment and the activity is not subject to the CEQA.

Statement of reasons why project is exempt:

The License Agreement Between the County of San Diego and State of California, Department of General Services on behalf of Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CalFire) is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15301, Existing Facilities as it involves a license to station a fire engine for wildland fire protection at an existing fire station involving no expansion of the existing use. Further, no exceptions listed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to the project. Additionally, the project will not impact environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern that are designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted by government agencies; does not contribute to cumulative environmental impact; will not have a significant impact on the environment due to unusual circumstances; does not damage scenic resources within a designated state scenic highway; is not on the list of Hazardous Waste and Substance Sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code; and does not cause adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

The following is to be filled in only upon formal project approval by the appropriate County of San Diego decision-making body.

Signature: Marcus Lubich Telephone: (858) 414-4593

Name (Print): Marcus Lubich Title: Environmental Project Manager

This Notice of Exemption has been signed and filed by the County of San Diego.

This notice must be filed with the Recorder/County Clerk as soon as possible after project approval by the decision-making body. The Recorder/County Clerk must post this notice within 24 hours of receipt and for a period of not less than 30 days. At the termination of the posting period, the Recorder/County Clerk must return this notice to the Department address listed above along with evidence of the posting period. The originating Department must then retain the returned notice for a period of not less than twelve months. Reference: CEQA Guidelines Section 15062.