

Notice of Determination**Appendix D****To:**

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Public Agency: CAL FIRE
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Lead Agency (if different from above): _____

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): SCH #2025091350

Project Title: Higgins Fire Station

Project Applicant: California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

Project Location (include county): 23036 W. Hacienda Drive, Grass Valley, CA 95949 (Nevada County)

Project Description:

Construction of the new facility would include a 9,296 square foot (sf), two-engine fire station including an 18-bed barracks/3 bay apparatus building, 2,048 sf administration building, and an 816-sf storage building. Site development would include earthwork, drainage, stormwater system, roads, curbs and paving, gutters and sidewalks, a 2,000-gallon above ground fuel vault, fire suppression system, site lighting, 1,000-gallon propane tanks, and associated appurtenant structures.

This is to advise that the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has approved the above
 (☒ Lead Agency or ☐ Responsible Agency)

described project on 11/18/25 and has made the following determinations regarding the above
 (date)
 described project.

1. The project [☐ will ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☐ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
☒ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [☐ was ☒ was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [☒ were ☐ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Technical Services, 1131 S Street, Sacramento, CA 95811

Signature (Public Agency): Christina Snow Title: Senior Environmental Planner

11/24/2025

Date: _____ Date Received for filing at OPR: _____