

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
 P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk  
 County of: Inyo  
 PO Box F, Independence, CA  
 93526

From: (Public Agency): Inyo County Public Works  
PO Drawer Q, Independence, CA 93526

(Address)

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Project Title: El Camino Sierra Road Signs

Project Applicant: Inyo County

Project Location - Specific:  
 Two signs, one at the north and one at the south end of Inyo County along hwy 395, please see attached.

Project Location - City: N/A Project Location - County: Inyo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:  
 We would like to install two signs that read "Inyo County The Heart of the El Camino Sierra". This is the first step in a process that will include Point of Interest signs throughout Inyo County, designed to increase tourism in the County as travelers pass through on Hwy 395. These signs are in the State of California right of way, so we will need to apply for an encroachment permit from Caltrans District 9.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Inyo County Public Works

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Inyo County Public Works

- Exempt Status: (check one):
- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
  - Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
  - Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
  - Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: -New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures - Accessory Structures 15303 (e) AND -Accessory Structures - On-Premise signs 15311 (a)
  - Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:  
 This project will have no significant environmental impact. Each sign will be on a single post and will be installed within the previously disturbed shoulder of Hwy 395. The sign is 3'x4' and will be mounted at a height of 8 feet (to top of sign), therefore it is not oversized or unsightly.

Lead Agency  
 Contact Person: Ashley Helms Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760-878-0200

If filed by applicant:  
 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.  
 2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes  No

Signature: *Ashley Helms* Date: 1/4/2017 Title: Engineering Assistant

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

**Location for the sign at the north end of the County**

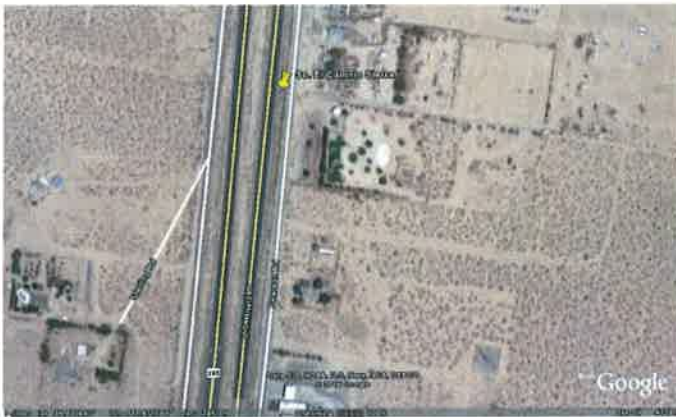


GPS Coordinates: 37.4604,-118.5777

Approximately 1050 ft south of the Inyo/Mono border

Location is marked with a stake with white flagging tape

**Location for the sign at the south end of the County**



GPS Coordinates: 35.8020,-117.8726

Approximately 1460 ft north of the Inyo/Kern border

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