

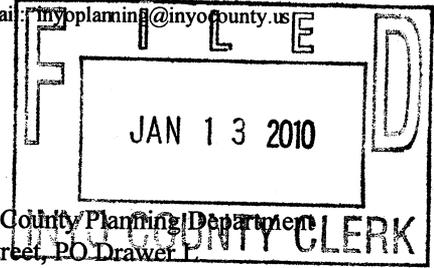


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Notice of Exemption - Inyo County

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From: (Public Agency) Inyo County Planning Department
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Project Title: Zoning Reclassification (ZR) No. 2009-06/Inyo County – Non-conforming Buildings

Project Location - Specific: County-wide

Project Location - City: County-wide

Project Location - County: Inyo

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Inyo County Code Section 18.78.280 previously indicated in part that if a non-conforming building is destroyed by more than 50 percent it shall not be restored except in full conformity with the Zoning Ordinance. The Board has approved a ZR to modify this requirement to permit reconstruction of destroyed non-conforming single- and multi-family residences, regardless of the extent of destruction. The modifications permit apartments, duplexes, and single-family homes to be rebuilt if they are destroyed or partially destroyed even if they are not permitted within the zoning district in which they are located.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Inyo County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Inyo County

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- General Rule (Sec. 15061(b)(3));
- Categorical (Sec. 21084; 15303);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

Reasons why project is exempt: The ZR has no potential to directly impact the environment, and is therefore not subject to CEQA per the "General Rule" [CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3)]. Regarding potential indirect effects, any buildings rebuilt per the ZR would most likely be categorically exempt per CEQA Guidelines Section 15302. None of the exceptions specified by Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply.

Lead Agency: Inyo County

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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: Joshua Hart for Date: 1-13-10
 Mike Conklin, Planning Director

Date received for filing at OPR:

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