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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21083 of the Public Resources Code, and referenced Section 21000-21174 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Title: Digital 395 Middle-Mile Broadband Fiber Project (SCH No. 2011081095)

Project Applicant: County of Inyo, California (Responsible Agency) & California Broadband Council (CBC)

Project Location: Inyo

Project Description: The Digital 395 Middle Mile Project would build a new, 593-mile fiber network between Barstow, California and Carson City, Nevada. The Digital 395 route consists of a main backbone and various spurs that lead away from the main backbone. The various spurs along the project route branch from the main backbone to connect to nodes within communities along the route. The Inyo County Board of Supervisors approved, in Resolution 2011-45, a License Agreement with the California Broadband Cooperative, Inc. for use of County land for node sites and anchor sites, and for the use of County rights of way for underground fiber optic transmission lines. The optical fiber would be installed underground within California Department of Transportation right-of-way (ROW)/easements and county maintained dirt roads as well as a number of other agencies and jurisdictions including Bureau of Land Management, Native American tribal reservations, Inyo National Forest, City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Department of Defense, City of Bishop and State-owned lands.

Project Action: The Inyo County Board of Supervisors approved the License Agreement relating to the Digital 395 Project on November 15, 2011.

Project Contact Person: Joshua Hart, AICP, Planning Director, 760-878-0268

Lead Agency: California Public Utilities Commission

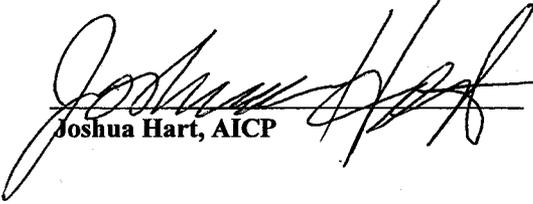
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Summary:

This is to advise that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors approved the above-described project on November 15, 2011, and has made the following determinations regarding the above-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.
 No CEQA documents necessary for this application, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
5. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final Mitigated Negative Declaration is available to the General Public at offices of the Inyo County Planning Department, 168 N. Edwards Street, Independence, California.



Director, Inyo County Planning Department

December 6, 2011

Joshua Hart, AICP

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Date

Date received for filing at OPR:

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