

Notice of Exemption

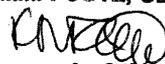
To: County Clerk, County of Inyo
P.O. Drawer F
Independence, CA 93526

From: Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District
157 Short Street
Bishop, CA 93514

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Project Title: Clean Farms, Clean Air Initiatives

Project Location - Specific: Bishop Creek Farms, 105 Duderanch Road, at the southern end of the unincorporated community of Big Pine

Project Location - City: unincorporated rural

Project Location - County: Inyo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Project funded by an Air District 'Clean Air Projects Program' grant of \$23,000 to purchase and convert an old diesel tractor to electric motor-driven tractor; purchase and erect 2 hothouse tunnels to expand growing season; and purchase/build a refrigerated storage unit to keep produce fresh.

The project will improve local environmental health and air quality by reducing emissions associated with old farming equipment, as well as reduce need to truck in out-of-area produce through expanded growing season and higher produce yield. The beneficiaries of this project include farm operators and all Eastern Sierra residents who purchase and prefer local produce.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Steven Baldwin & Bruce Wiley, Bishop Creek Farms

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: Class 3, Section 15303; Class 4, Section 15304
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Section 15303: New construction, installation, or conversion of limited number of small, accessory structures, facilities or equipment, including paragraph (e): Accessory structure.

Section 15304: Minor alterations to land, water or vegetation, including paragraph (a): Grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Theodore D. Schade

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760/872-8211

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:  Date: 13 Aug 12 Title: Air Pollution Control Officer

Signed by Lead Agency

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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