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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:** Road Abandonment No. 2013-01/Indian Creek CSD

**Project Applicant:** Indian Creek-Westridge CSD, PO Box 952, Bishop, CA 93514  
(760-920-1472)

**Project Location - Specific:** Section of Birch Street located to the west of the westerly prolongation of Grandview Street in West Bishop, CA

**Project Location - City:** West Bishop, CA

**Project Location - County:** Inyo

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The applicant requested vacation of a 60-foot wide portion of Birch Street lying west of the westerly prolongation of Grandview Street in West Bishop. The section to be abandoned is a dead-end street. The applicant intends to use the abandoned portion of road to place a backup emergency generator for the Indian Creek-Westridge water supply.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Inyo County Board of Supervisors

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Inyo County Planning Department

**Exempt Status:** (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- General Rule (Sec. 15061(b)(3));
- Categorical (Sec. 21080(b)(9); 15301-15329);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

**Reasons why project is exempt:** This project involves abandoning a pre-existing roadway that is a dead-end street and only provides access to a well yard and will continue to provide access to the said well yard, but with a slight reconfiguration. It is exempt from CEQA review per Section 15061(b)(3) which exempts projects where it can

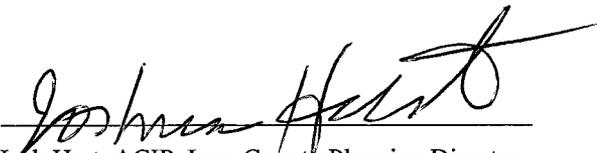
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be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question will have a significant effect on the environment. The placement of the emergency generator on the abandoned section of road is categorically exempt under the Class 3 exemption, "New construction or conversion of small structures, such as water main, sewage, electrical, gas, and other utility extensions" and does not meet any of the exceptions to the exemptions listed in Section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines.

**Lead Agency:** Inyo County Planning Department  
**Contact Person:** Nolan Bobroff, Planning Coordinator  
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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? n/a

Signature:   
Josh Hart, ACIP, Inyo County Planning Director

Date: 9/24/13