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Notice of Determination - Inyo County

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From (Public Agency): Inyo County Planning Department
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County of Inyo
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Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

Project Title: Conditional Use Permit #2014-03/Branson-Keeler

Project Applicant: Lone Pine TV – Bruce Branson, PO Box 867, Lone Pine, CA 93545
(Phone: 760-876-5481; Contact: Bruce Branson)

Project Location: 165 Old State Highway, in the Community of Keeler, CA.

Project Description: A proposal to build a 60-foot tri-pole tower to house a wireless internet service antenna at 165 Old State Highway, in the community of Keeler. The project will provide high-speed internet service to the residents of Keeler who currently have limited speeds and service at this time. The project will be an improvement for the people who live in the community of Keeler and will help to fulfill federal goals of providing internet service to the most rural areas in the Country.

The project site has a General Plan designation of Public Service Facility (PF) and a Zoning designation of Public (P). A Conditional Use Permit is required in the P Zone for the proposed use.

Project Action: Conditional Use Permit #2014-03/Branson-Keeler

Project Contact

Person: Cathreen Richards, Senior Planner (Phone: 760-878-0263)

Lead Agency: Inyo County Planning Department

Summary:

This is to advise that the Inyo County Planning Commission approved the above-described project and the Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact on April 23, 2014.

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.

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This is to certify that all documents relating to this project are available to the General Public at offices of the Inyo County Planning Department, 168 N. Edwards Street, Independence, California.



Josh Hart, AICP

Director, Inyo County Planning Department

May 9, 2014

Title

Date

Date received for filing at OPR:

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 DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND Wildlife
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 Bishop, CA 93514
<http://www.dfg.ca.gov>

EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Governor
 CHARLTON H. BONHAM, Director



CEQA Filing Fee No Effect Determination

Applicant Name and Address:

Bruce Branson/Lone Pine TV
 223 Jackson Street
 Lone Pine, CA 93545

CEQA Lead Agency: Inyo County

Project Name: Conditional Use Permit #2014-03/Branson Keeler

CEQA Document Type: Negative Declaration

State Clearing House Number and/or local agency ID number: N/A

Project Location: 165 Old State Highway, Keeler, CA 93530. Assessor Parcel Number 031-081-15.

Brief Project Description: Conditional Use Permit to build a 60-foot tri-pole tower to house a wireless internet service antenna. It is being built in the Public zone that allows for these towers under the Public/Quasi-Public use category. The public zone also does not have a height limitation. The tower will be 4.5 feet across at the base on each of the three sides and will have a 6-foot safety fence built around it. It is being built on the site of the Keeler Fire Station.

Determination: Based on a review of the project as proposed, the Department of Fish and Wildlife has determined that for purposes of the assessment of CEQA filing fees (Fish and G. Code § 711.4(c)) the project has no effect on fish, wildlife or their habitat and the project as described does not require payment of a CEQA filing fee. This determination does not in any way imply that the project is exempt from CEQA and does not determine the significance of any potential project effects evaluated pursuant to CEQA.

Please retain this original determination for your records. Local lead agencies are required to file two copies of this determination with the county clerk at time of filing of the Notice of Determination (NOD) after the project is approved. State lead agencies are required to file two copies of this determination with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (State Clearinghouse) at the time of filing the NOD. If you do not file a copy of this determination as appropriate with the county clerk or State Clearinghouse at the time of filing of the NOD, the appropriate CEQA filing fee will be due and payable.

Without a valid CEQA Filing Fee No Effect Determination form or proof of fee payment, the project will not be operative, vested, or final and any local permits issued for the project will be invalid, pursuant to FGC Section 711.4(c)(3).

CDFW Approved By: Heidi Sickler *Heidi Sickler* Date: 4/25/14

Title: Senior Environmental Scientist