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**Notice of Exemption - Inyo County**

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**Project Title:** General Plan Amendment 2014-01/Inyo County - Update the Conservation and Open Space Element with an Energy Efficiency Chapter

**Project Applicant:** Inyo County

**Project Location - Specific:** Countywide

**Project Location - City:** Countywide

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** General Plan Amendment 2014-01/Inyo County - Update the Conservation and Open Space Element with an Energy Efficiency Chapter provides policy and direction for energy reduction programs for County facilities and provides direction for energy reduction programs that focus on incentives and recognition for private property owners who incorporate energy efficiency programs and practices above the State's standards. All citizens can benefit from this policy through reduced energy costs and the environmental benefits gained through less energy use.

**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 (Class 1; Section 15301 (b));
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

**Reasons why project is exempt:** GPA No. 2014-01/Inyo County is exempt from CEQA, per the general rule 15061(b)(3), as it will not result in significant changes to the environment and an overall reduction in energy use could provide environmental benefits.

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