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**Notice of Exemption - Inyo County**

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From: (Public Agency) Inyo County Planning Department  
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 County of Inyo  
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**Project Title:** Bishop Airport – Airfield Lighting, Signing, and Visual Aids Rehabilitation Project

**Project Applicant:** County of Inyo, Department of Public Works

**Project Location - Specific:** Bishop Airport, 703 Airport Road, Bishop, CA 93514

**Project Location - City:** Bishop, CA (unincorporated area)

**Project Location - County:** Inyo

**Description, Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** Bishop Airport – Airfield Lighting, Signing, and Visual Aids Rehabilitation Project. This project will replace all existing Airfield runway and taxiway lighting, signing, and visual aids. The existing airfield lighting and signing system is very old and requires frequent maintenance. This project will bring airfield runway and taxiway lighting, and signing, and visual aids into compliance with current FAA and California Division of Aeronautics standards. This will improve air operations safety at the airport.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Inyo County, 168 N. Edwards Street, P.O. Drawer L, Independence, CA 93526 (Josh Hart, AICP, Planning Director, 760-878-0263).

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Clint Quilter, Director, Inyo County Dept. of Public Works, P.O. Drawer Q, In Independence, CA 93526 (760-878-0200).

**Exempt Status:** (check one)

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

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**Reason(s) why project is exempt:** The project is exempt from CEQA review under Class 1: "operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, . . . ." and, "involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination" (CEQA Guidelines Section 15301), as the project is a replacement of existing Bishop Airport - Airfield Runways and Taxiways Lighting, Signing, and Visual Aids Facilities and there is no expansion of these facilities.

**Lead Agency:** County of Inyo

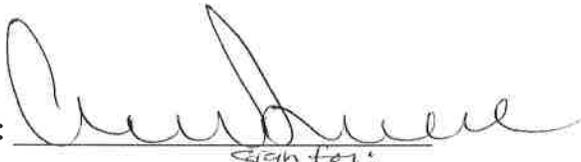
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If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes  No

Signature:



sign for:  
Josh Hart, AICP, Inyo County Planning Director

Date:

10/16/14

Date received for filing at OPR: