

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Plumas
520 Main Street
Quincy, CA 95971

From: (Public Agency): City of Portola
35 3rd Avenue
Portola, CA 96122
(Address)

Project Title: Beckwourth Peak Fire Protection District Formation

Project Applicant: City of Portola

Project Location - Specific:

All parcels within the fire protection service areas of Beckwourth Fire Protection District, Sierra Valley Fire Protection District, Gold Mountain CSD, and the City of Portola.

Project Location - City: Portola Project Location - County: Plumas

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Formation of the Beckwourth Peak Fire Protection District, combined with the dissolution of the existing fire protection districts and divestiture of fire protection services by multi-service agencies (City of Portola and Gold Mountain CSD), would serve to consolidate fire protection and emergency services and establish a reliable source of revenue to support the service provision. The purpose of the reorganization and creation of the new district is to better address the shared challenges currently faced by the fire protection service providers and enhance services to the affected areas.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Plumas Local Agency Formation Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Portola

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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15320. Changes in Organization of Local Agencies
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15320 of the CEQA Guidelines as the activity consists of changes in the organization or reorganization of local governmental agencies where the changes do not change the geographical area in which previously existing powers are exercised and that does not involve development or a change in the manner for which an existing service is provided.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Jon Kennedy, City Manager Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-832-6800

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: [Signature] Date: 3-28-23 Title: City Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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:

Certificate of posting

I hereby certify that from 5/11/23 to 6/15/23 (35) days, I post a copy of this notice of Exemption in the office of the Plumas County Clerk Recorders

  
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Marcy DeMartile/Clerk/Deputy

Date 5/11/23

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