

**Notice of Exemption**

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To:  Office of Planning and Research  
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Sacramento, CA 95814

From: (Public Agency) Kirkwood Meadows Public Util. Dist.  
Post Office Box 247  
Kirkwood, CA 95646 (Address)

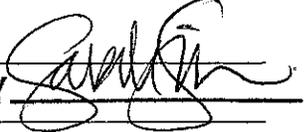
County Clerk  
County of Alpine  
99 Water Street, PO Box 158  
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FEB 16 2010

Project Title: Powerhouse Reconstruction & Replacement Project

Project Location - Specific: On Powerhouse Road in Kirkwood, California

BY 

Project Location - City: Kirkwood

Project Location - County: Alpine

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:**

KMPUD will replace Mountain Utilities' powerhouse, which was completely destroyed in a fire on January 1, 2010. Residents and businesses relied on the powerhouse as their only source of electricity for heating and cooking. A replacement powerhouse will ensure a reliable source of electricity for residents and businesses in Kirkwood.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Kirkwood Meadows Public Utility District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Kirkwood Meadows Public Utility District

**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));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, sec. 15302
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

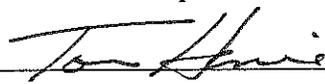
**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project is exempt under CEQA Guideline 15269(b) because it consists of emergency replacement of a powerhouse that is necessary to maintain electricity service that is essential to the health, welfare and safety of residents and businesses in Kirkwood, which rely on electrical power for heating and cooking. The project is exempt under CEQA Guideline 15302 because: (1) it is for the purpose of replacing and reconstructing an electrical powerhouse on the same site as the original powerhouse; and (2) it will result in a negligible, if any, expansion of facility capacity.

**Lead Agency**

Contact Person: Tom Henie, General Manager Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (209) 258-4444

**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:  Date: 2/11/10 Title: General Manager

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

Signed by Applicant

*Revised October 1989*