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Notice of Exemption

To:

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County of Santa Clara

From:

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

5050 El Camino Real Los Altos, CA 94022

Project Title: Radio System Assessment and Upgrade Project

Project Location: Multiple locations within San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties

County: Santa Clara and San Mateo

Description of Project: The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District's (District) radio system requires upgrades as the equipment is reaching end-of-life and manufacturers are no longer fabricating replacement parts or providing support. To upgrade and modernize the radio system the District proposes to replace an existing Very High Frequency (VHF) Analog Conventional System with a P25 Digital Conventional System. Systems and equipment upgrades will include:

- o Repeaters, receivers, comparators, frequency references
- Associated antenna systems
- o Control station for dispatch integration
- o Microwave radio and associated antenna systems
- o Networking equipment (routers, switches, etc.)
- o DC backup power systems (reuse of newer batteries at some sites)

In most tower locations, existing radio equipment will be removed and replaced with new equipment. In one location, existing radio equipment will be removed and not replaced. In three locations, radio equipment will be installed on existing towers that had not been previously used by the District. Tower locations and the type of work to be conducted at each location is included in Table 1.

Table 1 - Location and Work Descriptions

Tower Site	Lat	Long	County		
Equipment Replaced at (Currently Used Tower	'S			
Black Mountain	37.318727	-122.147247	Santa Clara		
Copernicus	37.346561	-121.630797	Santa Clara		
Coyote Peak	37.208933	-121.77529	Santa Clara		
Pise (Rolph)	37.455859	-122.34097	San Mateo		
Redwood	37.157579	-121.983945	Santa Clara		
Tomita (Mt Um)	37.160016	-121.908065	Santa Clara		
Equipment to be Remove	ed from Currently Use	ed Towers			
Skeggs (Sierra Morena)	37.410657	-122.306894	San Mateo		
Equipment to be Added to Existing Towers Not Currently Used by the District					
Allen Peak	37.386833	-122.294722	San Mateo		
McQueen Ridge	37.154569	-121.897814	Santa Clara		
Pigeon Point	37.193056	-122.368333	San Mateo		

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District



Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Same

Exempt Status: The District has determined that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article 19, Sections 15301 and 15302 of the CEQA Guidelines as outlined below:

Section 15301 - Existing Facilities: Class 1 exempts the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration to existing public or private structures or facilities that involve negligible or no expansion of use; including existing facilities of both investor and publicly-owned utilities used to provide electric power and other public utility services. The Project would include minor alterations of existing radio facilities and does not propose an expansion of use.

Section 15302 - Replacement or Reconstruction: Class 2 exempts the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, including existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity. The project includes the replacement of radio equipment at existing telecommunication towers. Upgraded radio equipment will remain within the footprint of existing utility infrastructure, and the proposed project will not result in an expansion of capacity.

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Signature:

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