

# Notice of Exemption

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From: (Public Agency):  
County of Imperial  
Planning & Development Services  
801 Main Street  
El Centro, CA 92243

County Clerk  
County of Imperial  
940 Main Street  
El Centro, CA 92243

Project Title: CDBG CV2 & CV3 Colonias Allocation, Housing Rehab

Project Applicant: Imperial County Executive Office

Project Location – Specific:  
Niland, CA 92257 (Unincorporated Imperial County)

Project Location – City: Niland Project Location – County: Imperial

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:  
The purpose of the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program is to assist residents of the impoverished, unincorporated community of Niland, California, who lost their homes due to a five-alarm fire in June 2020. The County of Imperial will implement a CDBG CV2 & CV3 Colonias Allocation, Housing Rehab for up to 33 homes in the Niland Colonia. The program will assist low-income homeowners with funds to rehabilitate/replace homes destroyed in the fire, specifically along 3<sup>rd</sup> St., 4<sup>th</sup> St., and International Boulevard.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Imperial County Planning and Development Services

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Diana Robinson, Planning Division Manager

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: 15301 & 15302
- Statutory Exemptions, State Code
- Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:  
The CDBG CV2 & CV3 Colonias Allocation, Housing Rehab is a reconstruction program that aims to rebuild up to 33 homes affected by the five-alarm fire from back in June 2020. Said project is exempt by a Class 1 Categorical Exemption (15301) considering that this will be a restoration/rehabilitation of existing deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to bring the affected properties back into their original state and assure compliance with current standards of public health and safety (15301-D). This project is also considered to be exempt under Categorical Exemption 15302, Class 2, given the specific condition that the project intention is to replace or reconstruct an existing structure or facility 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.

Lead Agency \_\_\_\_\_ Area Code/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: Jim Minnick, ICPDS Director Telephone Extension: 442-265-1736

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: 6/26/24 Title: ICPDS Director

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.

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