

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: County Clerk, County of Placer
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FROM: City of Rocklin
Planning Department
3970 Rocklin Road
Rocklin, CA 95677

Project Title: Boulder Ridge Park Metro PCS, Inc. Wireless Cell Tower Modification

Project Location - Specific: The subject property is located at Boulder Ridge Park. APN 374-150-029-000.

Project Location - City: Rocklin, CA; County: Placer

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The project consists of antenna modifications to an existing 37' 6" tall cellular communications tower and installation of associated equipment and infrastructure. The antenna modifications involve removing 3 existing antenna panels (1 per each of 3 sectors) and replacing them with six antenna panels (2 per each of 3 sectors). The project also consists of installing 6 TMA units (2 per sector), install of 7/8" coax cables, removal of existing diplexers and painting new antennas to match existing.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project:
City of Rocklin City Council

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

The applicant is T-Mobile West, LLC., Attn: Karen Lienert, 1755 Creekside Drive, Suite 190 Sacramento, Ca. 95833 (916) 834-0834

Exempt Status (Check one)

☒ x Categorical Exemption (Sec. 15300 et seq.): Section 15301 – Existing Facilities

Reasons why the project is exempt. The project consists of antenna modifications to an existing cellular communications tower and installation of associated equipment and infrastructure as described above. Class 1 exemptions consist of the minor alteration of existing public or private structures, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The modification and operation of an existing cellular communications tower at an existing neighborhood park is consistent with the exemption class descriptions noted above and is exempt pursuant to Class 1 of the CEQA Guidelines. The project will result in emissions of radio frequency electromagnetic radiation (RF). The applicant provided an analysis of the risk from such radiation (Site Safe, RF Compliance Experts, April 4, 2019). The conclusion of the study was that the proposed wireless communications tower and associated

equipment would comply with the FCC's current prevailing standard for limiting human exposure to RF energy. Due to the mounting method utilized, the general public would not normally be able to approach the antennas. Therefore, no significant impact on the general public is expected. The calculated electromagnetic field strength level in publicly accessible areas is less than the existing standard allows for exposure of unlimited duration. Based on worst-case predictive modeling, there are no modeled areas on any accessible ground-level walking/working surface related to the proposed antennas that exceed the FCC's occupational or general public exposure limits at this site. The public exposure limit is based on a standard published by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has adopted these exposure limits as standards and is the agency charged with their regulation and enforcement.

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