

**DECISION MEMO**

LRMP AMENDMENT #2

Sierra Pacific Power Company  
Chimney Peak - Microwave Reflectors

TOIYABE NATIONAL FOREST  
Carson Ranger District

USDA Forest Service  
Carson City, Nevada

Sierra Pacific Power Company has applied for a Special Use Permit to construct two microwave reflectors on National Forest System lands. The reflectors are needed to relay microwave signals from Reno to their microwave site at Chimney Peak. The proposed site is located in T.19N., R.18E., Section 34, SE1/4, MDB&M. The project would consist of construction of two 10 feet by 16 feet billboard type passive reflectors. The area of use would be 40 feet by 90 feet for a total area of 0.08 acres.

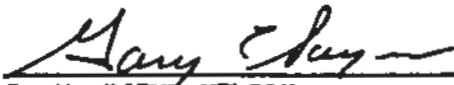
I have determined that this action is categorically excluded from documentation in an Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement. An environmental analysis has been performed. The construction of low-impact facilities or improvements normally do not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment and no extraordinary circumstances exist that might cause the action to have significant effect.

This is a non-significant amendment to the Land and Resource Management Plan (LRMP) and is consistent with the management direction in Management Unit 2, including standards and guidelines.

This decision may be implemented immediately.

This decision is subject to appeal in accordance with Secretary of Agriculture Appeal; Regulation 36 CFR 217. A notice of appeal must be filed with the Regional Forester, Intermountain Region, 324 25th Street Ogden, Utah 84401, within 45 days of the date of this decision with a copy simultaneously sent to Forest Supervisor, 1200 Franklin Way, Sparks, Nevada 89431.

For further information, contact Guy W. Pence at (702) 882-2766.

  
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