

# REMINDER



California  
Department of  
Conservation



## Public Resource Code Section 2714(f) Exemption Regulations

### Public Comment Period:

Friday, January 31, 2025 - Friday March 28, 2025

### Hybrid Public Hearing:

Thursday March 27, 2025

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the State Mining and Geology Board (Board) proposes to adopt California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14, Division 2, Chapter 8, Subchapter 1, Article 17 criteria (sections 4040-4059) for exemptions from the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 (Public Resources Code § 2710 et seq., SMARA) under Public Resources Code (PRC) section 2714(f) which pertains to: "...mining operations that the Board determines to be of an infrequent nature and that involve only minor surface disturbances." The proposed regulations detail the procedures needed to apply for an exemption for surface mining operations of infrequent nature that involve minor surface disturbances. These proposed regulations also detail the administrative record, public hearing procedures, and effect of exemption determination.

January 31, 2025, opens the public comment period for the proposed Public Resource Code 2714(f) Exemption rulemaking. The public comment period ends on March 28, 2025. Additionally, a public hearing is scheduled for March 27, 2025.

### Public Comment Period:

January 31, 2025 to March 28, 2025

Any person, or his or her authorized representative, may submit written statements, arguments, or comments related to the proposed regulatory action to the Board.

Comments may be submitted by email [smgbregulations@conservation.ca.gov](mailto:smgbregulations@conservation.ca.gov) or by mail to:

State Mining and Geology Board  
ATTN: 2714(f) Exemption  
715 P Street, MS 19-09  
Sacramento, CA 95814

### Hybrid Public Hearing:

#### When:

March 27, 2025 - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

#### Where:

California Natural Resources Agency headquarters  
715 P Street RM 2-201  
Sacramento, California 95814

AND Via

### Microsoft Teams

You may join our meeting remotely by clicking on the Microsoft Teams link below and entering the **Meeting ID: 230 942 623 714** and **Passcode: X2V63GR2** or by phone by dialing (916) 318-8892 and entering **Phone Conference ID: 985 619 440#**.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Action (NOPA) can be found as published in the [California Regulatory Notice Register](#), and the regulatory documents and the Board's rulemaking webpage can be found at links below.

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