

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): _____
California Natural Resources Agency

715 P Street, 20th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

(Address)

Project Title: Merced Avenue Greenway Project

Project Applicant: City of South El Monte

Project Location - Specific:

Merced Avenue beginning at Rush Street to Lerma Road

Project Location - City: South El Monte, CA 91733 Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Expand greenway by .65 miles by removing single travel lane from NB and SB direction and installing stormwater infrastructure retrofits and extensions and adding new bike lanes within city right-of-way. Project also includes minor trenching, installation of pedestrian crossings, street trees & vegetation, & site amenities.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Natural Resources Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of South El Monte

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 (c)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Under Section 15301 EXISTING FACILITIES (c) The project consists of the minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Existing streets, sidewalks, gutter, bike and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities and other alterations such as the addition of bike facilities, pedestrian crossings, street trees, and other similar alterations that do not create additional automobile lanes.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Diane Sousa Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916.654.9923

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: Andrea Scharffer Date: 8/10/2021 Title: Deputy Assistant Secretary

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.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____