

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): Fremont Unified School District
4210 Technology Dr, Fremont, CA 94538

County Clerk

County of: Santa Clara

(Address)

Project Title: Safe, Clean Water Mini Grant for Sohail Attari - Sustainable California Initiative Project

Project Applicant: Fremont Unified School District (Student Project led by Sohail Attari)

Project Location - Specific:

The project site is located at various high schools throughout Santa Clara County. The cleanup events are located at Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, Berryessa Creek, and Levin County Park.

Project Location - City: Milpitas and San Jose Project Location - County: Santa Clara County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project consists of the authorization of mini grant funding under the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Grant Program for Mr. Sohail Attari. Valley Water would provide funding to support the Sustainable California Initiative. The purpose of the project is to provide environmental education opportunities to high school students and boy scouts. The project would consist of environmental education presentations, cleanups, and data collection. The presentations would be delivered to approximately 10 high schools and 15 boy scout troops. The presentations would be focused on watershed stewardship and water conservation. In addition, the project activities would include three cleanup events. The cleanup events are located at Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, Berryessa Creek, and Levin County Park. A survey on watershed stewardship would be handed to the participants at the end of each event. The survey would collect data on knowledge gained during the events. The data collected from the survey would be used to create a report on the effectiveness of the program. Project materials would include garbage pickers, garbage bags, and gloves. The project is expected to take six weeks to complete.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Fremont Unified School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Mr. Sohail Attari (Irvington High School)

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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: [§ 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities; and § 15306, Class 6, Information Collection]
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §15301 and §15306: "Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use."

"Class 6 consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. These may be strictly for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved, adopted, or funded."

None of the conditions noted under the CEQA Guidelines §15300.2 will occur.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Mr. Eric Chiu Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (510) 399-9058

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: 7/29/19 Title: Sr. Project Manager

[X] 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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