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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California State University, Bakersfield
Capital Planning, Design & Construction
9001 Stockdale Highway
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County of: Kern
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

Project Title: Health Center/Icardo Center Plaza ADA Improvements and Road Repairs

Project Applicant: California State University, Bakersfield (CSUB)

Project Location – Specific: CSUB campus

Project Location – City: Bakersfield

Project Location County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Nature of Project: The project will remove the existing turnaround in front of the campus's Icardo Center (Building #52), expand the front plaza, and renovate the turnaround in front of the campus Health Center (Building #35) adjacent to Icardo Center. The plaza fronting Icardo Center has a narrow exiting area and sidewalk that can create life safety issues when approximately 2,500 people attempt to exit the Icardo Center after athletic games or events. The existing emergency access route in front of the Health Center does not have ADA-compliant drop-off capabilities or proper driving lanes for emergency vehicles.

Project Purpose and Beneficiaries: The proposed project will remedy the life safety, emergency vehicle access, and ADA access issues associated with the Icardo Center plaza and the Health Center by removing the existing turnaround, which will expand the front plaza to provide a safe and appropriate width for exiting for Icardo Center and a proper turning and driving lane and ADA compliant drop-off capabilities for the Health Center. The project will benefit the CSUB campus, including visitors, and The California State University generally.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: The Trustees of The California State University

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: CSU Bakersfield

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. <i>State type and section number.</i> Section 15301, Class 1 (Existing Facilities)
	Statutory Exemption. <i>State code number.</i>
	Common Sense Exemption (15061(b)(3))

Reasons why the project is exempt: The project constitutes the minor alteration of an existing public facility (existing campus roadways, sidewalks, and associated infrastructure) and does not involve any expansion of the existing capacity or use. The project would not trigger any of the exceptions to the use of this categorical exemption as defined in Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Hasit Panchal, Assistant Vice President, Capital Planning, Design & Construction

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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 _____ N/A X

Signature: Anne Collins-Dalme **Date:** May 22, 2020

Title: Principal Environmental Planner

X Signed by Lead Agency _____ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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Authority cited: Public Resources Code Section 21083

Reference: Public Resources Code Section 21108, 21152, and 21152.1