

# Notice of Exemption

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County Clerk

County of: \_\_\_\_\_  
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From: (Public Agency): \_\_\_\_\_  
California Natural Resources Agency  
1416 Ninth St, Ste 1311, Sacramento CA 95814

(Address)

Project Title: Buchanan Street Elementary School Urban Greening Program Grant Project

Project Applicant: Los Angeles Unified School District

**Project Location - Specific:**

The 3.7-acre Buchanan Street Elementary School campus at 5024 Buchanan Street, Los Angeles, California, and on streets surrounding and within approximately 0.5 mile of the school.

Project Location - City: Los Angeles Project Location - County: Los Angeles

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The proposed project consists of the addition of tree wells, trees, irrigated green space, outdoor landscaped gathering space with informal seating, and resurfacing of asphalt play spaces with District-approved reflective coating. The project also includes the planting of 75 trees along the streets surrounding and nearby the school.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Natural Resources Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Los Angeles Unified School District

**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; 15302; 15304
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

The project is exempt because it consists of: minor exterior alterations to an existing school site that results in no expansion of use (Section 15301); replacing existing exterior asphalt areas without substantial change in the purpose or capacity of the areas (Section 15302); and minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation that will not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees (Section 15304).

**Lead Agency**

Contact Person: Jennifer Thomas Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-651-2483

**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: Bryan Cash Date: 12/28/2020 Title: 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: \_\_\_\_\_