



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: The Board of Trustees of the California State University
401 Golden Shore
Long Beach, California 90802-4210

Project Title: California State University, Maritime Academy (Cal Maritime) – Mayo Hall Renovation Project

Project Location-Specific:

Address: Cal Maritime campus located at 200 Maritime Academy Drive, Vallejo, California 94590

Cross Streets: Maritime Academy Dr. and Morrow Cove Dr.

Latitude/Longitude: 38.069° N, -122.232° E

Project Location-City: Vallejo **Project Location-County:** Solano

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Mayo Hall Renovation Project (Project) would renovate and expand the approximately 20,338 gross square feet (GSF) Mayo Hall Building. Mayo Hall was built in 1949, expanded in 1976, and currently houses the former gymnasium, natatorium, and office space. The Project would demolish 8,022 GSF of the building. Approximately 23,893 GSF of new construction would be added to the building, including approximately 18,459 GSF on the first floor and approximately 5,434 GSF on the second floor. Some of the new first floor addition on the west side of Mayo Hall would function to join the building to the adjacent bookstore. Renovations to Mayo Hall would add an internal mezzanine level, but the building would remain 47 feet in height. The Project would also renovate and rehabilitate approximately 10,613 GSF of the existing building. All of the interior lighting would be replaced while the exterior lighting would be salvaged and reused. The renovated building would house a variety of student-oriented services and administration, including health services, registration and academic advising, financial aid, career services, admissions and recruitment, corps of cadets, and student life.

The Project would also include new underground utility pipeline connections from the building and site to existing surrounding services located in adjacent roads and parking areas, including new domestic and firewater connections and new storm, sewer, and gas connections. Exterior and landscaping improvements include new pervious paving areas; new plazas, paths and curbs; and new landscaping and rainwater treatment basins. The Project would remove six parking spaces in the north parking lot to allow for new landscaping. No new parking and no change in vehicle access or circulation is proposed; therefore, no change in vehicle trips to the building or campus is expected due to the Project. The Project would remove a total of seven landscape trees surrounding the building and replace them with 14 new trees as part of the overall landscaping for the Project. Following consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, the project was found to preserve and maintain the historic character and integrity of Mayo Hall. The Project also incorporates applicable mitigation measures included in the 2018 Facility Master Plan EIR Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, adopted by the CSU Board of Trustees in July 2018.

Demolition would occur from March 2021 to September 2021. Renovation and construction would occur from approximately September 2021 to March 2023.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California State University, Maritime Academy (Cal Maritime)

The project is exempt from CEQA under the following authority:

X Categorical Exemption; CEQA Guidelines §15331; Class number: Class 31

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Project is categorically exempt under Class 31 (Historical Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation), as the rehabilitation of Mayo Hall will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings.

Additionally, the Project does not meet any of the exceptions to the use of a categorical exemption under CEQA Guidelines §15300.2. Specifically, the Project would not: (1) be located in a particularly sensitive environment; (2) have a significant cumulative impact; (3) have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances; (4) result in damage to scenic resources; (5) be located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to state law; and (6) cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

Lead Agency

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Signed by Lead Agency

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