

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: ABC Unified School District
16700 Norwalk Blvd
Cerritos, CA 90703

County Clerk
County of Los Angeles
12400 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

Solar Energy Project - Bragg Elementary School
Project Title

11501 Bos Street
Project Location - Specific

Cerritos
Project Location - City

Los Angeles
Project Location - County

The District proposes to install solar energy panels on two elevated carport-like structure (Structures A and B) at Bragg ES. Structures A and B would be installed along the border line of the turf field and the hardcourts north of the school building. Structures A and B would be a minimum of 10-foot high and comprised of metal columns and beams supporting array panels. Structures A and B would be located side by side, a slightly larger Structure A would be on the west side and Structure B on the east. Structure A would consist of 324 photo-voltaic (PV) modules tilted at 7 degrees angle, and Structure B would consist of 198 PV modules tilted at a 7-degree angle. The structures would connect to an existing electrical equipment box next to a school building in the front of the campus by installing approximately 583 feet of underground conduit through directional boring underneath the turf field, paved hardcourts, and concrete pavement (see Figure 2). Structures A and B would have direct current (DC) system size of 136.080 kilowatts (kW) and 83.169 kW, respectively, for a combined system total of 219.240 kW. The project would also provide underground conduit for installation of car chargers in the future. However, Installation of car chargers require additional funding and would not be installed at this time.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project

ABC Unified School District
Name of Public Agency Approving Project

ABC Unified School District
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

Exempt Status: (check one below)

- 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 Class 1, Existing Facilities, §15303 Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, §15314 Class 14, Minor Addition to Schools
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

The project involves the construction of solar energy array on elevated structures. The proposed solar array will not result in an increase in student capacity or an expansion of existing use. No off-campus improvements will occur. Existing use of the facility as an elementary school will stay the same under the proposed project. Therefore, the project is exempt from CEQA under Sections 15301, 15303, and 15314. The proposed project was also reviewed for possible exceptions under Section 15300.2 and found that the exceptions do not apply.

See Attachment to Notice of Exemption for further explanation of the evaluation, which is available at the ABC Unified School District Office, 16700 Norwalk Blvd, Cerritos, CA 90703.

Reasons why project is exempt

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If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption findings
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project Yes No

Date

Received for Filing:

3/30/21

Signature:



Title:

Bond Program Manager