

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

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

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

Solar Energy Project - Burbank Elementary School
Project Title

17711 Roseton Avenue
Project Location - Specific

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Project Location - City

Los Angeles
Project Location - County

The District proposes to install solar energy array on an elevated carport-like structure (Structure A) at Burbank ES. The solar energy structure (Structure A) would be installed along the border line of the turf field and the hardcourts on the west side of the school (see Figure 2). Structure A would be a minimum of 10-foot high and comprised of metal columns and beams supporting array panels. Structure A would consist of 279 photovoltaic (PV) modules tilted at a 7-degree angle; which would connect to an existing electrical equipment box adjacent to the school building near the eastern parking lot by installing approximately 252 feet of underground conduit through directional boring underneath the turf field and concrete pavement (see Figure 2). Maximum power output of the system is 117.18 kilowatts (kW) under controlled laboratory conditions. The proposed project would require removal of a non-native tree, *Pyrus kawakamii* (Ornamental Pear) from the turf playfield. 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. The District and general community will benefit from a reduction in energy consumption and reduced energy costs.

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 structure. 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