

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research-State Clearinghouse P.O. Box 3044, 1400 Tenth Street, Room 212 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	From: Department of Toxic Substances Control P.O. Box 806 Sacramento, CA 95812-0806
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Project Title: Variance TWW-2021-LG-00270 to Allow the Generation, Accumulation, and Transport of Treated Wood Waste under Alternate Procedures by City Of Santa Cruz

Project Location: Assessors Parcel # 004-311-20; 21 Municipal Wharf, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

County: Santa Cruz County

Project Applicant: Britt s. Hoberg, Wharf Supervisor, City Of Santa Cruz

Approval Action Under Consideration by DTSC: Variance

Statutory/Regulatory Authority: California Health and Safety Code, Section 25143; CCR Title 22, Section 66260.210

Project Description: The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has issued a variance to City Of Santa Cruz (CAL000462079) to generate and accumulate treated wood waste on-site. The variance allows treated wood waste to be managed under procedures different from, but equally protective to human health and the environment to, the provisions of California Health and Safety Code (HSC) Articles 6, 6.5 and 9 of Chapter 6.5 and California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Division 4.5, Chapters 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, and/or 20. Under the terms and conditions of Variance TWW-2021-LG-00270, City Of Santa Cruz will ensure the treated wood waste will be appropriately managed.

Background: Treated wood waste is a fully regulated California-only hazardous waste because it exhibits the hazardous waste characteristic of toxicity. From 2007 to December 31, 2020, treated wood waste was managed under alternative management standards, established in 22 CCR 67386. The legislation that authorized the alternative management standards for treated wood waste expired on December 31, 2020.

City Of Santa Cruz conducts a wharf construction, maintenance and restoration.

Project Activities: The variance will expire on November 9, 2021 with possibility of extension for an additional six months.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Toxic Substances Control

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City Of Santa Cruz

Exempt Status: Minor Actions to Prevent, Minimize, Stabilize, Mitigate or Eliminate the Release or Threat of Release of Hazardous Waste or Hazardous Substances [CCR Title 14, Sec. 15330]

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: All analysis conducted included the potential extension of the variance for an additional six months. DTSC has determined none of the exceptions to the categorical exemptions apply to this project, as described in Public Resources Code Section 21084(c), (d), and (e), and 14 CCR Section 15300.2. The project activities are consistent with minor cleanup actions taken to prevent, minimize, stabilize, mitigate, or eliminate the threat of release of a hazardous waste or substance into the environment. Treated wood waste removal activities are estimated to cost approximately . The approval of this variance will ensure the treated wood waste generated will be contained from release during accumulation and storage to an authorized site or disposal facility.

The administrative record for this project is available to the public by appointment at the following location:

Department of Toxic Substances Control
Permitting Division
1001 I Street
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Approver's Signature:

Robert Irving

Date:

May 14, 2021

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