

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Energy Commission
1516 9th Street, MS-6
Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: BEB Transportation Facility Electrification Transition Plan

Project Applicant: City of Culver City

Project Location - Specific: Culver City as a whole (planning area); 4343 Duquesne Ave, Culver City, CA 90232 (offices of the City of Culver City)

Project Location - City: City of Culver City

Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Under grant Agreement ARV-21-033, the California Energy Commission (CEC) will provide a grant of \$200,000 to the City of Culver City toward development of a blueprint planning document for installing depot charging infrastructure to support the transition of the City's medium- and heavy-duty vehicles to all electric vehicles by 2028. The CEC's "project" (work under the grant funding) for CEQA purposes is a part of the City's larger planning process for the blueprint.

Beneficiaries will include residents in California, and especially, the City's residents, along with the environment.

("BEB" means battery electric bus.)

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Culver City

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: Cal. Code Reg.s, tit. 14, section 15306 ("Information Collection")
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Cal. Code Regs, tit. 14, §15306, Information Collection, provides that projects which consist of basic data collection, research and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource are categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA. The CEC's grant project consists of developing a planning document for possible, future deployment of zero emission vehicles and related infrastructure equipment. The project will not cause direct physical changes to the environment, and there will be no physical construction. This project involves data collection, technology assessment, public outreach, administrative coordination efforts, planning, and similar activities. Therefore, the proposed project will have no significant effect on the environment and is categorically exempt under section 15306.

Responsible Agency

Contact Person: Wendell Krell

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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: Wendell Krell Date: 9/8/2021 Title: Energy Commission Specialist II

Signed by Responsible Agency

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

Signed by Applicant