

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Butte
25 County Center Drive
Oroville, CA 95965

From: (Public Agency): Chico Unified School District
2455 Carmichael Drive
Chico, California 95928
(Address)

Project Title: John A. McManus Elementary School New Construction & Modernization Project

Project Applicant: Chico Unified School District

Project Location - Specific: 988 East Avenue #988, Chico, California 95926, nearest cross street is North Ave.

Project Location - City: Chico Project Location - County: Butte

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed project would involve the demolition of 16 portable classrooms, modernization of several existing buildings, and construction of new buildings at the McManus Elementary School campus. New construction would include two new kindergarten buildings, a new classroom building, a new administration building, and a new multi-purpose building. Bus circulation and vehicle parking would also be modified to improve on-site circulation.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Chico Unified School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Chico Unified School District

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: Class 1 (15301), 2 (15302), and 14 (15314)
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project would qualify for a Class 1 CE because the construction of updated facilities and modernization of existing structures, as described above, would not expand the existing use of the site.
The project would qualify for a Class 2 CE because the construction of the new buildings would occur entirely within the property boundary of the existing school grounds and replace existing classrooms.
The project would qualify for a Class 14 CE because the proposed project would not increase the student capacity by more than 25 percent or 10 classrooms and would occur entirely within the property boundary of the existing school grounds.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Maria Campos Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 891-3000 ext. 20604

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: Julia M. Kustice Date: 11/19/2021 Title: Director, Facilities

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR:
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.