



Midpeninsula Regional
Open Space District

330 Distel Circle Los Altos, CA 94022

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: County Clerk
County of Santa Clara

From: Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District
330 Distel Circle
Los Altos, CA 94022

Project Title: Rancho San Antonio Multimodal Access - Priority 1 Implementation

Project Location: Rancho San Antonio Open Space Preserve and County Park

City: Unincorporated **County:** Santa Clara County

Project Description:

The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (District) is proposing multimodal improvements associated with the Rancho San Antonio Multimodal Access - Priority 1 Implementation Project (Project). The Project includes installation of the following elements at the Rancho San Antonio Open Space Preserve (Preserve):

- Five sensors, similar to small speed bumps, installed on existing Preserve service road and in parking areas to count vehicles entering the existing parking area;
- Three solar-powered repeaters installed near sensors on new or existing posts; and
- One dynamic sign at the Preserve entrance to display parking availability in real-time, using existing AC power.

As depicted in Figure 1, these improvements are proposed within or near existing parking or roadway areas. The dynamic sign is proposed adjacent to the main entrance on Rancho San Antonio Service Road. The parking sensors are proposed on existing impervious paved surfaces in three separate areas to capture parking counts. The solar panel repeaters are proposed off-street, adjacent to the service road on existing or proposed posts. Installation would involve minor land alternations, but no vegetation removal would be required.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Same

CEQA Compliance: In accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines, the proposed project is categorically exempt from CEQA under the following sections:

Section 15301 – Existing Facilities: Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of use. Class 1 (c) includes existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities. The project proposes installation of sensors to count vehicles and one dynamic sign at the Preserve parking lot. The project would not expand the existing use.

Section 15304 – Minor Alterations to Land: Class 4 consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes. The project proposes minimal trimming to existing vegetation to

accommodate the dynamic sign and solar panel repeaters. The existing vegetation is routinely pruned, and the proposed trimming is not considered an increased impact for this project.

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Attachment: Figure 1: Project Map

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Figure 1: Project Map

