

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: San Mateo

**From:** (Public Agency): State Coastal Conservancy

1515 Clay St., 10th Floor

Oakland, CA 94612

(Address)

Project Title: East Palo Alto Rain Garden Project

Project Applicant: Acterra

Project Location - Specific:

City of East Palo Alto

Project Location - City: East Palo Alto

Project Location - County: San Mateo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project addresses stormwater flooding and extreme heat risk in East Palo Alto communities within the flood plane of the San Francisquito Creek watershed. This project include stormwater modeling, work force development, and pilot a rain garden and cistern installation program. The project will prepare the grantee to implement the community-led effort city-wide.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: State Coastal Conservancy

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Acterra and Climate Resilient Communities

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: 15304-minor alterations to land; 15306-information collection
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The installation of rain gardens and cisterns as part of the pilot program under the proposed project is categorically exempt under Title 14, Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) because installing a rain garden and planting native plants are landscaping activities that will be water efficient and do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees. All other elements of the proposed project are categorically exempt under Section 15306 (Information Collection) because they involve information collection and resource evaluation, and there will be no serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Violet Saena

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 408-990-6447

**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:  Date: 4/21/22 Title: Project Manager

▪ Signed by Lead Agency      Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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