

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of: Los Angeles
12400 Norwalk Blvd.
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From: (Public Agency): City of Rancho Palos Verdes
30940 Hawthorne Blvd.
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 20275
(Address)

Project Title: Purchase of the Lower Filiorium and Plumtree Properties

Project Applicant: City of Rancho Palos Verdes

Project Location - Specific:

APN: 7572-012-028, 7572-012-029, 7573-003-016, 7581-023-035 & 7581-023-037

Project Location - City: Rancho Palos Verdes Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project involves the purchase by the City of Rancho Palos Verdes of the Lower Filiorium and Plumtree Properties (approx. 96 acres) to expand the Palos Verdes Nature Preserve. The vacant properties will provide live-in wildlife corridor habitat for the rare species such as the Palos Verdes blue butterfly, the cactus wren and the California gnatcatcher. The project is being conducted in collaboration with the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy, who will maintain the preserve under agreement with the City.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Rancho Palos Verdes

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Octavio Silva, Deputy Director of Community Development

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: 15325 (a)
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 25 consists of the transfer of ownership of interests in land in order to preserve open space, habitat or historical resources. The proposed project involves the acquisition by the City of Rancho Palos Verdes of two properties to preserve existing natural conditions, which include plant and animal habitats.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Octavio Silva, Deputy Director Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 310-544-5234

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: [Signature] Date: 4/19/2022 Title: Deputy Director

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.

Date Received for filing at OPR: