

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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**FROM:** City of Watsonville  
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**FILE NO.:** PP2022-2905

**Project Title:** 14 Green Valley Road – Taco Bell patio addition and remodel

**Project Location - Specific:** 14 Green Valley Road

**Project Location - City:** Watsonville

**Project Location - County:** Santa Cruz

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:** Minor Design Review with Environmental Review (PP2022-2905) to allow for the construction of a new 390± square-foot outdoor patio area, new landscaping, and trash enclosure improvements for an existing drive-through restaurant facility (Taco Bell) located at 14 Green Valley Road (APN 019-302-28).

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Watsonville

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Golden Gate Bell LLC, 465 First Street West 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Sonoma, CA 95476

**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, Section 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The proposed project is eligible for a Class 1 Categorical Exemption per Section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines as it involves exterior alterations to accommodate a 390± square-foot outdoor patio area for an existing drive through restaurant facility. Other alterations include new paint, signage, landscaping, and minor site improvements to bring the existing drive-through restaurant facility up to current City of Watsonville Public Improvement Standards and California Building Code requirements. The proposed project would not result in a change nor substantial expansion of use of the existing drive-through restaurant facility located at 14 Green Valley Road. The project is in an area where all public services and facilities are available to allow for maximum development permissible in the General Plan and the area in which the project is located is not environmentally sensitive.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Justin Meek, AICP

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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:** Justin Meek **Date:** 6/1/22 **Title:** Principal Planner

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant