

# Notice of Exemption

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**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:** California Energy Commission  
715 P Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Project Title:** Cerone Zero Emission Bus Infrastructure & Microgrid

**Project Applicant:** Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA)

**Project Location - Specific:** 3990 Zanker Road, San Jose, CA 95134

**Project Location - City:** San Jose

**Project Location - County:** Santa Clara

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

This project consists of electrical infrastructure, solar generation, battery storage, a microgrid controller, and bus charging. The purpose of the project is to provide the infrastructure needed to charge 34 battery electric buses in a manner that reduces greenhouse gases from the utility grid and is resilient. Beneficiaries include residents of Santa Clara County.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** California Energy Commission

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA)

**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:
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: 21080.25(b)(6)\_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

This project is statutorily exempt per Public Resource Code (PRC) Section 21080.25. As required by PRC 21080.25, this project would construct the infrastructure to charge zero-emission transit buses; the project would be carried out by VTA, which is a public transit agency that is subject to, and in compliance with, the State Air Resources Board's Innovative Clean Transit regulations (Article 4.3 (commencing with Section 2023) of Chapter 1 of Division 3 of Title 13 of the California Code of Regulations); and the project is located on property owned by a public transit agency.

**Responsible Agency**

Contact Person: Alex Wan Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-805-7477

**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: Alexander Wan Date: 06/21/2022 Title: Associate Energy Specialist

- Signed by Responsible Agency
- Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_
- Signed by Applicant