

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County of: Los Angeles
12400 Imperial Hwy, Norwalk, CA 90650

From: (Public Agency): City of La Verne
Attn: Public Works Department
3660 D St, La Verne, CA 91750

(Address)

Project Title: La Verne Pedestrian Bridge Project

Project Applicant: City of La Verne

Project Location - Specific:

Both sides of Arrow Highway, between Fairplex Drive/E Street to the west, and North V

Project Location - City: La Verne Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) in cooperation with the City of La Verne is proposing the installation of the La Verne Pedestrian Bridge (proposed project) across Arrow Highway and the Metrolink rail corridor, at the future Metro L (Gold) Line La Verne Station adjacent to the Los Angeles County Fairgrounds. The proposed project includes the construction of a pedestrian bridge in close proximity to the Metro L (Gold) Line La Verne Station currently under construction. The proposed project is located on both sides of Arrow Highway, between Fairplex Drive/E Street to the west, and North White Avenue to the east. The proposed pedestrian bridge overcrossing will serve as a critical connector and signal to visitors that they are in the core of the La Verne Transit Oriented Development (TOD) area. The northern walkway of the pedestrian bridge would be adjacent to a future parking facility that would replace a vacant industrial building for sale, as described in the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Environmental Review. The proposed project is expected to make the area convenient for visitors to access and significantly reduce conflicts between pedestrian and vehicle movements.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of La Verne

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Shawn Igoe

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: SB 288, Section (PRC) 21080.25(b)(1)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed project constitutes a new pedestrian facility as defined in Section 21080.25(b)(1). The City of La Verne is the lead agency, as lead agency, the City of La Verne has determined, based on the information in this memorandum, that the proposed project would be statutorily exempt from the CEQA pursuant to PRC Section 21080.25 (b)(1). See attached SB 288 form for additional discussion.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Shawn Igoe Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 909-596-8741

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: 05/23/2022 Title: Director of Public Works

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: