



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research (OPR)
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County of Los Angeles,
12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA
90650

FROM:

Lead Agency: City of Whittier-Public Works
Department

Address: 13230 Penn Street
Whittier, CA 90622-1772

Contact Person: Cesar Rangel
Assistant Director of Public Works

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Project Title: Generally prohibit vehicles exceeding three tons from using Norwalk Boulevard

Project Location-Specific:

Norwalk Boulevard between Dorland Street and Hunter Avenue, City of Whittier

Project Location-City: Whittier **Project Location-County:** Los Angeles

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Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Whittier, Public Works Department

Name of Person/Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Whittier, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, CA 90622

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268) Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
 Categorical Exemption (15301(c) (13), 15302(c)) Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269)
 Statutory Exemption () Other: _____

Reasons why project is exempt: The proposed project was reviewed for potential exemptions and was found to satisfy the standards of Class 1 as specified within Article 19 Categorical Exemptions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. A Class 1 exemption consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. Class 1(c)(13) Installation, modification and replacement of traffic signals, where no more than a negligible increase in use of the street will result. Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety, and other alterations such as the addition of bicycle facilities, including but not limited to bicycle parking, bicycle-share facilities and bicycle lanes, transit improvements such as bus lanes, pedestrian crossings, street trees, and other similar alterations that do not create additional automobile lanes). Class 2 consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, including but not limited to: (c) Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity. Installation, modification and


replacement of traffic signals, where no more than a negligible increase in use of the street will result. No mature trees will be removed as part of the project.

The application meets the standards for Section 15301(c)(13) and Section 15302(c) in that the construction will involve minimal to no land alteration in an area that is already developed and the soil is disturbed. The project sites are located in the City's Right-of-Way. None of the project sites are environmentally sensitive, and they will not result in significant effects to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality with the construction of the new facilities. No significant adverse effects were identified during the evaluation process.

Therefore, the City of Whittier has determined that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and a Notice of Exemption will be filed pursuant to Section 15062 of the CEQA Guidelines.

Kyle Cason (562) 567-9500
City Contact Person *Phone Number*

Director of Public Works
Title


Signature

7/19/22
Date

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