

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Department of Education
1430 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: CDE – Access Barrier Removal/Fire Lane - 5072

Project Location – Specific: 500 Walnut Avenue

Project Location – City: Fremont

Project Location – County: Alameda

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project will provide increased ADA access to the a few walkways and a fire access route within the Fremont School for the Blind by replacing those walkways and widening a concrete firelane/walkway to a width of 20ft. Work will remove concrete, pavers, landscaping (approx. 3600 sqft), associated irrigation lines, storm drains, light poles, associated electrical lines, walkways (approx. 9000 sqft), and bus shelter/bus map. Work will then install the 20ft wide by 560 ft long accessible walkway/fire lane, install walkways (approx. 9000 sqft), install approx. 8,500 sqft of new landscaping (i.e., plants, new sod), bollards, lighting for walkway, electrical for lighting, storm drains, paint accessible signage, install accessible signage and poles, and reinstalling the bus shelter/map.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Education

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Haley Sheddy, DGS Project Director

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial (§ 21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§ 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§ 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
- Statutory Exemption [Click here to enter text.](#)
- Categorical Exemption Class 1a Section 15301

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

This exemption allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, and minor alterations to existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The State confirms that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of an exemption for this project.

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Signature:

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Date Signed by Lead Agency [Click or tap to enter a date.](#)