



Department of
Cannabis Control
CALIFORNIA

NOTICE of EXEMPTION from CEQA
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL

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From: Department of Cannabis Control
Cultivation Licensing Branch
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Project Title: ESG CONSULTING LLC (Project)

Project Location: The Project is located at 5560 WEST END RD, SUITE 10, ARCATA, CA 95521, in Humboldt County.

County: Humboldt

Project Description:

The Department of Cannabis Control, pursuant to authority granted under Business and Procession Code Division 10, Chapter 2, Section 26012, approved a Cannabis Distribution License submitted on 11/4/2022, by Ryan Maddocks. ESG CONSULTING LLC applied for a distribution license out of an existing facility located at 5560 WEST END RD, SUITE 10, ARCATA, CA 95521 (APN 507-251-020). The applicant will store cannabis products for distribution in 4,249 square feet of a 24,413 square foot facility. There are multiple cannabis businesses operating on site, including manufacturing and distribution activities.

Project Activities:

The Project will consist of 4,249 square feet of distribution activities. The project will not expand the existing facility as the site is newly constructed as of 2019.

Exemption Status: (check one)

- Ministerial [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(1); CCR, Sec. 15268]
 Declared Emergency [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(3); CCR, Sec.15269(a)]
 Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); CCR, Sec.15269(b)(c)]
 X Categorical Exemption: [Class 1 Categorical Exemption Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, §15301]
 Statutory Exemptions: [State code section number]
 General Rule [CCR, Sec. 15061(b)(3)]

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The Department of Cannabis Control has determined that the project is a Class 1 Categorical Exemption Project. Class 1 Categorical Exemptions consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alterations to 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. The Project involves the use of an existing industrial building with no proposal for building expansion. The design, location, size, and operating characteristics of the Project are compatible with the existing and future land uses within the vicinity as it is zoned light industrial zoned. None of the exceptions to the exemption defined in Section 15300.2 apply to the Project.

This is to certify that the final environmental document, comments and responses, and the record of project approval are available to the public at the following location:

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