

**Notice of Exemption****Appendix E**

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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County of: Monterey

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**From:** (Public Agency): City of Carmel-by-the-Sea  
Public Works Department, Environmental Programs  
Junipero 2 Southeast of Fourth Avenue Carmel, California 93921

(Address)

Project Title: Mission Trail Tank Removal and Well Abandonment Project

Project Applicant: City of Carmel-by-the-Sea

Project Location - Specific:

0.5-acre site within the Mission Trail Nature Preserve, southeast corner of City limits

Project Location - City: Carmel-by-the-Sea Project Location - County: Monterey

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project would involve removal of an abandoned 10,000 gallon water storage tank, abandonment of an existing water well, and removal of associated piping, concrete tank supports, well pumphouse, and pumps. The well would be capped with a watertight cover and abandoned in accordance with Section 115700 of the California Health and Safety Code. The project would also involve removal of a non-operating PG&E power pole and associated conduits and meter panel.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Carmel-by-the-Sea

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Carmel-by-the-Sea

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: Class 1, Existing Facilities (Section 15301)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 1 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 existing or former use. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of use. The project would involve the removal of the existing water storage tank and abandonment of the existing well, as well as removal of the PG&E power pole, associated pipes, pumphouses, and other facilities. The project would consist of minor alterations of existing facilities, and would not involve expansion of use and project components would not be replaced or reconstructed elsewhere. Therefore, the Class 1 exemption is applicable.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Robert Harary Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 831-620-2021

**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: Robert Harary Date: 2/14/2023 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: \_\_\_\_\_