



SUNNYVALE SCHOOL DISTRICT

825 West Iowa Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA 94086 Phone: 408.522.8200
www.sesd.org

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Sunnyvale School District
825 West Iowa Avenue
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Project Title: Fairwood Explorer Elementary School Playground Refurbishments

Project Location: Fairwood Explorer Elementary School, 1110 Fairwood Avenue

Project Location – City: Sunnyvale, CA 94089

Project Location – County: Santa Clara County

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sunnyvale School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sunnyvale School District

Lead Agency Contact Person: Brandt Burns

Phone Number: (408) 522-8200 x1060

Description of Project: The Sunnyvale School District (SSD) proposes to replace some of the existing playground components, install new playground equipment, re-stripe the existing asphalt play surface, install shade structures, and add new playground matting at the Fairwood Explorer Elementary School campus.

Exempt Status: One or more of the following Categorical Exemptions are applicable to the proposed project:

Class 1 - Section 15301. Existing Facilities: Operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alterations to a public facility involving no or negligible expansion of existing or former use.

Class 2 - Section 15302. Replacement or Reconstruction: Replacement or reconstruction of structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site for substantially the same purpose.

Class 4 - Section 15304. Minor Alterations to Land: Minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation that do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

Class 11 - Section 15311. Accessory Structures: Construction or replacement of minor structures accessory to existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities including on-premises signs.

Class 14 – Section 15314. Minor Additions to Schools: Minor additions to schools within school grounds where the addition does not increase student capacity by more than 25 percent or ten classrooms.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The proposed improvements to the Fairwood Explorer Elementary School playgrounds would not introduce a new use onto the campus or result in an enrollment increase. Per section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines, it has been determined the project is not located on a hazardous waste site and the project would not affect environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern, result in a significant impact due to unusual circumstances, damage scenic resources, affect an historical resource, or result in a cumulative impact. For these reasons, the project is exempt from the provisions of CEQA.

RB 5/2/23

Signature of Lead Agency Representative: Brandt Burns, Director of Facilities and Operations

Date: May 1, 2023