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### Project Title

CEQA Determination for Parks and Community Services Habitat Conservation Fund (HCF)  
Grant Application (Equestrian Trail Enhancements)

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PROJECT TITLE  
 PCS HABITAT CONSERVATION FUND (HCF) GRANT APPLICATION (EQUESTRIAN TRAIL ENHANCEMENTS)

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME CITY OF MORENO VALLEY PARK AND	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL ALLENY@MOVAL.ORG	PHONE NUMBER (951) 413-3208
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 14075 FREDERICK STREET,	CITY MORENO VALLEY	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 92552

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency     School District     Other Special District     State Agency     Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,839.25	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,764.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,305.25	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)		
<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$ _____
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# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To:

From:

Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044  
Sacramento, CA. 95812-3044

City of Moreno Valley  
Community Development Department  
14177 Frederick Street  
Moreno Valley, CA. 92552-0805

X County Clerk  
P.O. Box 751  
Riverside, CA 92502-0751

**Subject:** Filing Notice of Exemption in compliance with Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1 of the Public Resources Code.

**Applicant Name:** City of Moreno Valley Parks and Community Services  
Allen Yun, Parks Project Manager

**Address:** 14075 Frederick Street, Moreno Valley, CA 92552-0805

**Telephone Number:** (951) 413-3208

**Project Title:** CEQA Determination for Parks and Community Services Habitat Conservation Fund (HCF) Grant Application (Equestrian Trail Enhancements)

<u>N/A</u>	<u>Claudia Manrique, Planning Division</u>	<u>(951) 413-3208</u>
State Clearinghouse No. (if submitted to Clearinghouse)	Lead Agency Contact Person	Area Code/ Telephone

**Project Location(s):** Moreno Valley Equestrian Park & Nature Center at 11150 Redlands Blvd, Moreno Valley, CA

**Project Description:** The proposed scope of work includes regrading of approximately 750 linear feet of existing natural trail pathways, and adding the following items: two waterless restrooms, two benches with a shade structure (maximum of 200 square feet in size), two informational kiosks, and two solar lights.


**Exempt Status:** (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec 21080 (b) (3); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec 21080 (b) (3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec 21080 (b) (4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemptions: Class 1, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities), Class 3, Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), Class 4, Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land), and Section Class 11, 15311 (Accessory Structures).

**Reasons why the project is exempt:** Class 1 includes the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities, including pedestrian trails and topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use; Class 3 includes the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small structures; Class 4 includes minor alterations in the condition of land that do not involve removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees, including minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored; and Class 11 includes placement of signs in publicly owned parks.

These improvements are all consistent with the guidance provided in the City's Rules and Procedures for the Implementation of CEQA as well as the categorical exemptions noted above because work would consist of repair, maintenance, and minor alterations to the existing trail; no expansion of use would occur; the restrooms and benches are considered small structures; no healthy, mature, scenic trees would be removed; the ground surface would be restored following construction, and the informational kiosks are considered signs.

Moreno Valley Community Development Department, 14177 Frederick Street, Moreno Valley, California

  
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Signature (Public Agency)                      Date                      Associate Planner  
Title

Signed by Lead Agency

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)  
Compliance Certification Form**

Grantee/Applicant: City of Moreno Valley - Parks and Community Services (PCS)

Project Name: PCS Habitat Conservation Fund (HCF) Grant Application (Equestrian Trail Enhancement)

Project Address: 11150 Redlands Boulevard

When was CEQA analysis completed for this project? Date: 6/9/23

What document(s) was filed for this project's CEQA analysis: (check all that apply)

- Notice of Determination
- Notice of Exemption
- Initial Study/Negative Declaration
- Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration
- Environmental Impact Report
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach the Notice of Exemption or the Notice of Determination as appropriate. If these forms were not completed please attach a letter from the Lead Agency explaining why, certifying the project has complied with CEQA and noting the date that the project was approved by the Lead Agency.

**CEQA Lead Agency Contact Information:**

Agency Name: City of Moreno Valley - CDD/Planning Contact Person: Claudia Manrique


Mailing Address: 14177 Frederick St

Phone: ( 951 ) 413-3206 Email: claudlam@moval.org

**Certification:**

I hereby certify that the Lead Agency listed above has determined that it has complied with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the project identified above and that the project is described in adequate and sufficient detail to allow the project's construction.

I certify that the CEQA analysis for this project encompasses all aspects of the work to be completed with these funds. This project is not part of any legally mandated mitigation.

 _____ Authorized Representative (Signature)	<u>6/12/23</u> Date	<u>Claudia Manrique, Associate Planner</u> _____ Authorized Representative (Printed Name and Title)
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## California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

CEQA, the California Environmental Quality Act, is a statute that requires state, county, and local agencies to identify the significant environmental impacts of their proposed actions and to avoid or mitigate those impacts, if feasible. CEQA is triggered when a public agency directly undertakes or funds a "project" (as defined by CEQA guidelines). Projects funded by the California Conservation Corps (CCC) in the form of grants to Certified Local Conservation Corps trigger CEQA compliance.

### Lead Agency

All CEQA reports are to be completed by the lead state, county, or local agency (ultimate project Sponsor, in most cases).

### CEQA Process

Applicants should check with their local city or county planning agency for more information on how to complete CEQA.

Information on complying with CEQA can also be found on the Natural Resources Agency's California Environmental Resources Evaluation System (CERES) website at <http://resources.ca.gov/ceqa/>

The CCC requires CEQA compliance or the initiation of the CEQA process at the time of application. In either case, CEQA compliance is required prior to commencement of project work. Complete CEQA documentation must include one of the following:

- (a) A Notice of Exemption filed with, and stamped by, the county clerk/recorder's office or State Clearinghouse (SCH);
- (b) An Initial Study with a Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration, with the submittal confirmation response from the State Clearinghouse, and a copy of the Notice of Determination filed with, and stamped by, the county clerk/recorder's office or SCH or
- (c) An Initial Study and an Environmental Impact Report, with the submittal confirmation response from the SCH, and a copy of the Notice of Determination filed with, and stamped by, the county clerk/recorder's office or SCH.

### Categorical Exemptions

Many approved projects may qualify for categorical exemptions (designated classes of activities that generally do not result in significant impacts). In these cases, only a Notice of Exemption is needed to successfully comply with the CEQA requirement. A list of Categorical Exemptions to CEQA can be found at <http://resources.ca.gov/ceqa/guidelines/art19.html>



**CITY OF MORENO VALLEY**  
**Community Development Department**  
**Planning Division**

## MEMORANDUM

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To: Allen Yun, Parks Project Manager  
From: Claudia Manrique, Associate Planner  
Date: June 12, 2023  
Subject: CEQA Determination for Parks and Community Services Habitat Conservation Fund (HCF) Grant Application (Equestrian Trail Enhancements)

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The California Environmental Quality Act (Section 21000, et. seq. of the California Public Resources Code, hereafter CEQA) requires analysis of agency approvals of discretionary “projects.” A “project,” under CEQA, is defined as “the whole of an action, which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.”

The proposed equestrian trail enhancements project will take place within the Moreno Valley Equestrian Park & Nature Center located at 11150 Redlands Boulevard. The scope of work includes regrading of approximately 750 linear feet of existing natural trail pathways, and adding the following items: two waterless restrooms, two benches with a shade structure (maximum of 200 square feet in size), two informational kiosks, and two solar lights. Staff has reviewed the Project and determined it to be categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State Guidelines Sections 15301 (existing facilities), 15303 (new construction or conversion of small structures), 15304 (minor alternations to land), and 15311 (accessory structures).

The reasons why the project is exempt are as follows: Class 1 includes the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities, including pedestrian trails and topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use; Class 3 includes the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small structures; Class 4 includes minor alterations in the condition of land that do not involve removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees, including minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored; and Class 11 includes placement of signs in publicly owned parks.

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This document serves as the environmental documentation for your file along with the project description included on the Environmental Information Form. The Planning Division recommends filing the attached Notice of Exemption Form for this project per CEQA Section 15062 (d). The notice can be filed with the Riverside County Clerk Recorders Office to shorten the period for legal challenge under CEQA from 180 days to 35 days.

If you need any additional information, please contact me at extension 3225.

Attachments: Notice of Exemption Form and CEQA Compliance Certification Form