

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Del Mar Union School District

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Del Mar Hills Academy Modernization Project
Project Title

Del Mar Hills Academy: 14085 Mango Drive
Project Location - Specific

San Diego
Project Location - City

San Diego
Project Location - County

Del Mar Union School District (District) is proposing to modernize Del Mar Hills Academy's existing classrooms and administration building. The modernization will remain within the building envelope. Modernization efforts will include code upgrades for fire sprinklers, seismic, accessibility, and security; infrastructure improvements for heating and cooling systems, lighting, and technology; and modification to the on-site circulation pattern to provide for emergency vehicle access and an enhanced drop-off/pick-up experience. Students, staff and the general public will benefit from the enhanced educational facility.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project

Del Mar Union School District
Name of Public Agency Approving Project

Del Mar Union School District
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

Exempt Status: (check one below)

- 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, and Class 2 Replacement or Reconstruction

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

The District is proposing to modernize Del Mar Hills Academy by modernizing the existing classrooms and administration building. Modernization efforts will include code upgrades; infrastructure upgrades, ADA access improvements; and classroom, administrative, and food service upgrades. The project will also include reconfigured parking and fire lane, minor enhanced front office entrance improvements, ADA access ramps to front entry and fields, removal of portables on the eastern hardcourts, and other improvements. The project will not involve expansion, an increase in classrooms or student capacity nor an increase in parking spaces. Existing uses of the campus will stay the same under the proposed project. The closure of Del Mar Heights School resulted in the temporary transfer of Del Mar Heights students to portable buildings at Del Mar Hills Academy. When the Del Mar Heights School reopens, those K-3 students will return to their original school. Depending on the construction schedule, Del Mar Hills Academy students will relocate to the portable buildings and remaining permanent structures to allow for modernization of the campus. Once the improvements are complete, the portables will be removed. The proposed modernization of the existing administration and classrooms building and the proposed changes to vehicular access parking are exempt under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 and 15302. The proposed project was also reviewed for possible exceptions under Section 15300.2 and found that the exceptions do not apply. Additional documentation supporting this conclusion is available at the District office.

Reasons why project is exempt

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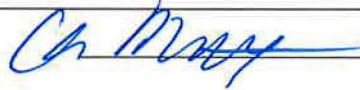
Area Code/Telephone/Extension:

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption findings
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project Yes No

Date Received
for Filing:

Signature:



Title:

Assistant Superintendent, Business Services