

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 212
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From: California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo
1 Grand Avenue
San Luis Obispo, CA 93410

Project Title: Cal Poly Kennedy Library Renovation

Project Location – Specific: Within the Cal Poly campus at the southeast corner of North Perimeter Road and Dexter Road in unincorporated San Luis Obispo County, California

Project Location - City: N/A

Project Location - County: San Luis Obispo County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo (Cal Poly) is proposing to renovate the existing Kennedy Library (Building 35) to provide additional space and improve the function of the existing facility. The renovations would improve the building's systems and envelope, create modern classroom space for more students, and enhance the overall support for library programs and services. Renovations would include installation of new light-emitting diode (LED) light fixtures, fire sprinklers, high volume air conditioning (HVAC) systems, seismic upgrades, and other infrastructure improvements. As part of the renovation, the existing central staircase would be replaced.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: The Trustees of the California State University

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo

The project is exempt from CEQA under the following authority:

- 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 Exemption. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project consists of minor alterations within a developed portion of the Cal Poly campus in an urbanized setting. All modifications would take place within the existing Kennedy Library. The project would involve less than 10,000 square feet of new development and is intended to improve the existing library with no/negligible expansion of use. The project would be entirely located within the interior of the structure and in a developed area of campus, which contains no sensitive resources.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Scott Bloom, Campus Planner, California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (805) 756-1573

If filed by applicant: Not applicable

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: 
Signed by Lead Agency:

Date: 2023 07 28
Signed by Applicant:

Title: Campus Planner

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.