

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Mid-Wilshire Parking Structure Seismic Improvements
Project Applicant: University of California, Los Angeles—UCLA Health
Project Location: 5975 West Olympic Boulevard
Project Location—City: Los Angeles
Project Location—County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project (Project Description): The project site is developed with an eight-story, open air parking structure with a capacity of 732 standard, compact, and ADA-accessible vehicle stalls. The project involves parking structure seismic improvements, mandatory code corrections triggered by the seismic work, and repair and restoration of impacted building finishes. The parking structure has a current University of California (UC) Seismic Performance Rating of V; upon completion of the work, the parking structure will achieve a Seismic Performance Rating of IV or better to bring the facility into compliance with the UC Seismic Safety Policy. The parking structure will remain operational during construction. These seismic upgrades are considered a stand-alone project with independent utility, separate from proposed seismic upgrades and tenant improvements at the adjacent medical office building as well as planned renovations at the nearby hospital, each of which have their own respective planning, design, funding, project approval, construction and timeline components.

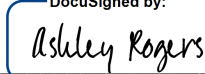
Name of Public Agency Approving Project: University of California, Los Angeles
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: University of California, Los Angeles

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: Section 15301, Existing Facilities; Section 15302, Replacement or Reconstruction
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:
- General Exemption (Sec. 15061(b)(3))

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: Pursuant to state law and University of California Procedures for Implementation of CEQA, the project is categorically exempt under Class 1, Existing Facilities, because it consists of the repair and maintenance of an existing structure involving no expansion of use. The project is also exempt under Class 2, Replacement or Reconstruction, because it consists of the reconstruction of an existing facility serving a hospital in order to provide an earthquake-resistant structure, with the same general purpose and capacity as currently exists. The project is not located in an environmentally sensitive area. Furthermore, per CEQA Section 15300.2, none of the exceptions to a Categorical Exemption apply.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Ashley Rogers, Assistant Director, Environmental Planning, (310) 923-6747

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8/29/2023
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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.