

CEQA NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Broadway Murals

PROJECT APPLICANT: City of Eureka Economic Development

PROJECT LOCATIONS:

Wall and ground locations:

- 960 SF Asphalt at PM 74.8 on SR 101 at Herrick Ave Park & Ride
- 40 SF Wall at PM 75.35 on SR 101
- 55 and 85 SF Walls at PM 76.75 on SR 101
- 285 SF Wall at PM 77.13 on SR 101

Electrical cabinet locations:

- 01-HUM-101, PM 75.22 Location #CT01 - Southeast corner of Broadway at signaled entrance to former K-Mart near southern Eureka City limits. Just south of Sunset Memorial Park.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 75.54 Location #CT02 - Northeast corner of Broadway at signaled entrance to Pierson Building Center and Tetrault Tire Center.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 75.90 Location #CT03 - Southeast corner of Broadway and McCullen Avenue.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 76.09 Location #CT04 - Northwest corner Broadway at southern signaled entrance to Bayshore Mall at McDonalds just north of Highland Avenue.

- 01-HUM-101, PM 76.30 Location #CT05 - Northwest corner of Broadway at northern signaled entrance to Bayshore Mall just southwest of West Harris Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 76.65 Location #CT06 - Northwest corner of Broadway and Henderson Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 77.29 Location #CT07 - Southwest corner of Broadway and Wabash Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 77.48 Location #CT08 - Southwest corner of Broadway and 14th Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 77.79 Location #CT09 - Southeast corner of Broadway and Washington Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 77.91 Location #CT10 - Northeast corner of Broadway and 6th Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.74 Location #CT11 - Northwest corner of 5th Street and J Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.74 Location #CT12 - Northwest corner of 4th Street and J Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.67 Location #CT13 – Northwest corner of 4th Street and I Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.67 Location #CT14 - Southwest corner of 5th Street and I Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.62 Location #CT15 - Southwest corner of 4th Street and H Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.62 Location #CT16 - Northwest corner of 5th Street and H Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.46 Location #CT17 - Southeast corner of 4th Street and E Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.46 Location #CT18 - Northeast corner of 5th Street and E Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.51 Location #CT19 - Southwest corner of 4th Street and F Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.51 Location #CT20 - Northwest corner of 5th Street and F Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.56 Location #CT21 - Northwest corner of 4th Street and G Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.56 Location #CT22 - Northeast corner of 5th Street and G Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 79.40 Location #CT23 - Northwest corner of 5th Street and V Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 79.16 Location #CT24 - Southeast corner of 4th Street and R Street (2 separate cabinets).
- 01-HUM-101, PM 79.16 Location #CT25 - Southwest corner of 5th Street and R Street (3 separate cabinets).
- 01-HUM-101, PM 79.40 Location #CT26 - Northeast corner of 4th Street and V Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.85 Location #CT27 - Northwest corner of 5th Street and L Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 79.05 Location #CT28 - South side of 5th Street between and O & P Streets.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 78.85 Location #CT29 - Southeast corner of 4th Street and L Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 79.00 Location #CT30 - South side of 4th Street between N Street and O Streets.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 77.13 Location #CT31 - Southwest corner of Broadway and West Hawthorne Street.
- 01-HUM-101, PM 76.76 Location #CT32 - West corner of Broadway and Vigo Street.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Eureka, in conjunction with Caltrans, is proposing to install murals on one ground location and four wall locations, in addition to modifying, replacing or installing murals on 32 existing electrical boxes. The project is intended to beautify the urban infrastructure and provide a sense of place while entering and exiting the City of Eureka. Art and mural installations aid in harnessing a sense of community among residents as well as discouraging

unwanted use and graffiti of the improved areas. Eureka is known for its local artists and extensive art community who are passionate about creating and maintaining their work.

Elements that pertain to this project include: applying for a Caltrans' encroachment permit, cleaning and preparing the intended mural locations, planning and implementing ideas via design and painting.

Preparation and installation of these murals will require drop cloths and necessary hand tools. An appropriate traffic control plan will be employed to provide access through and around the work areas when necessary. Preparation of the walls and electrical boxes for painting will include power washing of the areas to be painted. Best Management Practices (BMP's) will be employed during power washing activities. BMP's include, but are not limited to, inlet protection, straw wattles and proper disposal of any waste materials.

EXEMPTION FINDINGS: The Lead Agency has determined that the above described activity is a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Lead Agency has further determined that the project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to a Class I categorical exemption (Section 15301, Existing Facilities), which exempts the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alteration of existing public and private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The project involves the painting of murals on an existing overpass. No construction or ground disturbance activities are anticipated. The Lead Agency has further determined the use of the categorical exemption is not barred by any one of the exceptions set forth in Section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines.

The materials supporting the above finding are on file with the City of Eureka's Economic Development Department and are available for review upon request at the City of Eureka, address above.


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September 26, 2023
Date