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Notice of Exemption

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From:

Mendocino County Planning & Building
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Contact: Julia Krog, Director
Phone: 707-234-6650

County Clerk:
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Project Title: Urgency Ordinance Exempting Replacement Roofs and/or Roofmount Solar Energy Systems from Discretionary Review in the Coastal Zone During the Local Emergency Related to Climate Change

Project Applicant: County of Mendocino

Project Location - Specific: Coastal Zone areas within unincorporated Mendocino County

Project Location - City: N/A Project Location - County: Mendocino

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The Urgency Ordinance is necessary in order to alleviate the effects of climate change. Climate change presents a serious threat to the public health and safety of the residents of Mendocino County and adoption of this Urgency Ordinance is needed to preserve the health and safety of the County. This Urgency Ordinance is intended to better allow County residents to take measures to make themselves more resilient in the face of climate change and the disasters that are caused by climate change. The purpose of this ordinance is to facilitate the development of renewable energy sources for existing buildings within the Coastal Zone of Mendocino County to assist in combating climate change.

Name of Public Agency Approving the Project: COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

Name of Person or Agency Carrying out Project: COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21070(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: CEQA Guidelines section 15301, Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: Public Resources Code section 21080.35

Reasons why project is exempt: Adoption of this Ordinance is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.; "CEQA") pursuant to the following: Public Resources Code Section 21080.35 exempts solar energy systems that are located on the roof of an existing building and this Ordinance is only applicable to solar energy systems that are roof-mounted on an existing building; CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 as minor alteration to an existing facility that involves negligible or no expansion of existing use, including exterior alterations such as Replacement Roofs and/or roof-mounted solar energy systems. Adoption of this urgency ordinance will only have the impact of more swiftly allowing for installation of improvements already determined to be statutorily and categorically exempt from CEQA review, and the swift installation of Replacement Roofs, as defined by this ordinance, could not have a cumulatively significant impact because the Replacement Roof will be of the same colors and materials as the existing roof.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Julia Krog, Director Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707-234-6650

If filed by applicant:

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: Julia Krog Date: 1/19/2024 Title: Director

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.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____