

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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From: Port of Long Beach
Environmental Planning Division
415 West Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach, California 90802

Project Title: Radiation Portal Monitor Lane Installation – Harbor Development Permit No. 23-058
Project Applicant: Total Terminals International, LLC
Project Location – Specific: 301 Mediterranean Way; Harbor District 4 – Terminal Island
Project Location – City: Long Beach, California **Project Location – County:** Los Angeles County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Construct two (2) new out-gate lanes with new radiation portal monitors (RPM) and optical character recognition (OCR) system at the Main Gate. The project involves installing entrance/exit gate arms with concrete embedded ground loops, k-rail mounted traffic lights, front/rear vehicle identification system (VIS) cameras and VIS lights, k-rail mounted intercoms with driver side centralized area video surveillance system (CAVSS), and eight (8) bollards. The project also includes installing a new equipment rack and equipment bank in the U.S. Customs & Border Protection (CBP) primary booth, relocating CBP operations to the existing CBP secondary booth. Approximately 110-feet (L) x 4-feet (D) will be trenched to install conduit from the existing pull box to the equipment bank.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Port of Long Beach
Name of Person or Agency Carrying out Project: Total Terminals International, LLC

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial Exemption [Section 21080(b)(1); 15268];
- Declared Emergency (Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project [Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)]
- Categorical Exemption.

State type and section number: Section 15301 Existing Facilities, Section 15303 Small Structures, and Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land)

- Statutory Exemption.
State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Section 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1): The Class 1 Categorical Exemption consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The project involves the installation of two new RPM lanes and OPR system along with entry/exit gates with concrete embedded ground loops, traffic lights, VIS systems, intercoms, CAVSS, and eight bollards involving no expansion of existing or former use.

Section 15303(d) New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (Class 3): The Class 3 Categorical Exemption consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. The project involves the installation of a new equipment rack and equipment bank to house equipment for the RPMs.

Section 15304 Minor Alterations to Land (Class 4): The Class 4 Categorical Exemption consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes. Examples include, but are not limited to: (f) trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored. The project involves trenching approximately 100-feet (L) to a depth of 4 feet to install conduit from the existing pull box to the equipment bank. All surfaces would be restored.

The Port has determined that none of the exceptions to the exemptions in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15300.2 foreclose the use of the categorical exemption CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities), 15303 (Small Structures), and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land); therefore the Project is exempt from CEQA and no further environmental review is required.


Lead Agency

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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:  **Date:** 1/10/24 **Title:** Director of Environmental Planning
Matthew Arms

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: _____