

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: County of Los Angeles
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From: County of Los Angeles
Department of Parks and Recreation
Planning & CEQA Section
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Project Title: Walking Path Improvements Projects

Project Location - Specific: Belvedere Community Regional Park (East Los Angeles)
4914 East Cesar Chavez Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90022

Mona Park (Willowbrook)
2291 East 121st Street, Compton, CA 90222

Franklin D. Roosevelt Park (Florence-Firestone)
7600 Graham Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90001

Project Location - City: The unincorporated communities of Willowbrook, East Los Angeles, and Florence-Firestone.

Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed improvements at Belvedere Community Regional Park will modify, improve, or refurbish existing park walking paths, as well as enhance site landscape and lighting.

The proposed improvements at Mona Park include fencing replacement, renovation of walkways, bike paths, lighting improvements, as well as landscaping and shade trees.

The proposed improvements for Franklin D. Roosevelt Park include the renovation of an existing walking path.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Los Angeles County

Name of Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Los Angeles County

Exempt Status (check one):

Article 19. Categorical Exemptions

- Categorical Section 15301
Class 1 (d)
- Categorical Section 15302
Class 2 (c)
- Categorical Section 15304
Class 4 (a)(b)

- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption

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- Class 1 (c)
- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption
- Class 2 (e)
- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption
- Class 4 (a)(c)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed projects are consistent with State Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA. The projects are consistent with Section 15301 Class 1 which provides for repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities. This includes but is not limited to Class 1(d) for restoration and rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety.

The projects are also consistent with Section 15302 Class 2 which provides for replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. This includes but is not limited to Class 2 (c) for replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

The proposed projects are consistent with Section 15304 Class 4 which provides for minor alteration to land. This includes but is not limited to Class 4 (a) for grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent, and (b) for new gardening or landscaping.

The projects are also consistent with the County CEQA Guidelines. The projects are consistent with Class 1 which provides for repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities. This includes but is not limited to Class 1 (c) for restoration and repair of buildings, structures, and equipment.

The projects are consistent with Class 2 which provides for replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. This includes but is not limited to Class 2 (e) for replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

The projects are consistent with Class 4 which provides for minor alterations to land. This includes but is not limited to Class 4 (a) for grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent, and (c) for new gardening or landscaping.

The proposed use of Classes 1, 2 & 4 Categorical Exemptions does not include activities that are excepted from the exemptions as defined in Section 15300.2 (a) of the CEQA Guidelines. Specifically, the specified activities do not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern designated, precisely mapped, or officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.

The County has considered the cumulative impact of the proposed activities and determined that the cumulative impact of the specified activities will not result in significant impacts on the environment that would constitute an exception to Classes 1, 2 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (b) of the CEQA Guidelines.

The County has considered the potential for significant impacts on the environment resulting from the specified activities and determined that there are no unusual circumstances that would result in significant effects on the environment constituting an exception to Classes 1, 2 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (c) of the CEQA Guidelines.

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The specified activities will not result in damage to scenic resources, such as trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings or similar resources or involve work within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway that would constitute an exception to Classes 1,2 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (d) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084 (c) of the CEQA Statutes.

The specified activities do not involve work on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code relating to solid and hazardous wastes and do not constitute an exception to Classes 1,2 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in the Section 15300.2 (e) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084 (d) of the CEQA statutes.

The specified activities would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as specified in section 21084.1 of the CEQA Statutes and do not constitute an exception to Classes 1,2 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (f) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084.1 of the CEQA Statutes.

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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, Jui Ing Chien



Date

Park Planner
Title