

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County of: Humboldt
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From: (Public Agency): City of Arcata
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Arcata, CA 95521
(Address)

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Project Title: Arcata Corporation Yard Fence Replacement and Trail Enhancement Project

Project Applicant: City of Arcata

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County of Humboldt
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Project Location - Specific:

City of Arcata Corporation Yard, 600 South G Street, Arcata, CA 95521

Project Location - City: Arcata

Project Location - County: Humboldt

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the project is to enhance public access and visitor experience at the Ox Pond Trail at the Arcata Marsh, while providing for public safety by preventing public access to the Corporation Yard. The trail access and ditch crossing are better delineated by placement of the fence, which will be constructed of black wire mesh panels that increase the security and visibility, offering better viewing opportunities along the trail for visitors. A new small wooden footbridge will connect the Humboldt Bay Trail North to the Ox Pond Trail, enhancing user access with a wider section of trail and reducing user conflicts in the small public parking lot at the Corporation Yard Entrance.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Arcata

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Arcata, Environmental Services Department

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. State type and section number: CEQA Guidelines Section 15302 & 15303
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Arcata Corporation Yard Fence Replacement and Trail Enhancement Project involves replacement of an existing structure and new construction of a small structure that will enhance the access and visitor experience at an existing trail for pedestrians and cyclists, as well as increase the security of the Corporation Yard property. Replacement of the corporation yard fence qualifies as Replacement of Existing Structures (CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15302 (c)), which allows for the replacement of an existing facility on the same site with the same purpose. Construction of a new footbridge qualifies as New Construction of Small Structures (CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15303 (e)), which allows for construction of a new small structure. No conditions causing exceptions to these exemptions, including unusual circumstances, hazardous waste, or historic resources, are present.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Emily Sinkhorn, Environmental Services Director Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707-822-8184

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: Emily Sinkhorn Date: 4/14/24 Title: Environmental Services 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: