

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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FROM: Redding Area Bus Authority
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County of Shasta
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Project Title: Redding Area Bus Authority (RABA) and Redding School of the Arts Transportation Agreement 2023-2024

Project Location – Specific: Downtown, State Route 44, Shasta View Drive, College View Drive, & Old Oregon Trail

Project Location – City: Redding **Project Location – County:** Shasta

Description of Project: RABA will enter into a Transportation Agreement (Agreement) with Redding School of the Arts (RSA). The agreement will allow increased service on RABA Route 17 for the 2023-2024 school year. This route currently operates one round trip per day and provides service from Downtown, to schools along Shasta View Drive, and to Shasta College. RSA's contribution will allow RABA to add three additional round trips and implement a transit pass program for registered RSA students and faculty.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Redding

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: John Andoh, Transit Manager

Exempt Status: *(check one)*

- Ministerial [Section 21080(b)(1); 15268]
- Declared Emergency [Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)]
- Emergency Project [Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)]
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 15262, Feasibility and Planning Studies
- Common Sense Exemption (This project does not fall within an exempt class, but it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment (14 CCR 15061[b][3]).
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Sec. 15301. Existing Facilities
 - No exceptions apply that would bar the use of a categorical exemption (PRD 21084 and 14 CCR 15300.2).

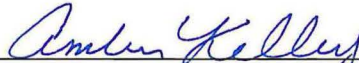
Reasons why project is exempt: Class 1 exemptions include the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities and equipment that result in no expansion or negligible expansion of use. The action will enhance mobility and access, ease traffic congestion, and promote sustainability by offering three additional trips per day. Execution of the Agreement will result in negligible expansion of use, as the bus will operate on existing roadways and new vehicle lanes will not be constructed. The project has no potential to have a significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Amber Kelley

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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: 11-13-2023

Title: Environmental Compliance Manager

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: _____

Signed by Applicant