

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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County Clerk

County of: Humboldt

825 5th Street

Eureka, CA 95501

**From:** (Public Agency): City of Fortuna  
621 11th Street  
Fortuna, CA 95540

(Address)

Project Title: Main Street Gateway Project

Project Applicant: City of Fortuna

Project Location - Two concrete medians located on N. Main St. & Business Route Highway 101 west of 3rd Street.:

Property Address: 0 Main Street , Fortuna CA 95540

Project Location - City: Fortuna

Project Location - County: Humboldt

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The City of Fortuna is partnering with the California Department of Transportation, on a Clean California grant-funded project to rehabilitate two concrete medians on Main Street and Highway 101. The improvements will be visible as one enters the City from the Highway 101 south Main Street off-ramp and departs the City via North Main Street to the Highway 101 north on-ramp. Improving the aesthetics of this important entrance to the City has been a community desire and a City goal for years as the islands are currently barren and don't provide a welcoming feel as motorists are coming or going from the City of Fortuna. Beautification of the larger median will include a low-growing, drought-tolerant meadow surrounded by a dry creek border, overall landscaping, a gateway monument, and an approximately four-foot-wide perimeter of decorative concrete,. The smaller median will include matching decorative concrete, and possibly a small amount of similar vegetation.. The project will provide an important gateway into Fortuna, benefiting visitors and community members alike.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Fortuna

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Fortuna

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: 15304(b), Minor alterations to land
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is exempt from CEQA in that it consists of minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and will replace weed-filled concrete areas with new landscaping with water efficient landscaping..

Lead Agency Shari Meads

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (707) 725-1408

**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: Shari Meads      Date: June 4, 2024      Title: Community Development 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: \_\_\_\_\_