

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Contra Costa
725 Court Street #103
Martinez, CA 94553

From: (Public Agency): Walnut Creek School District
960 Ygnacio Valley Road
Walnut Creek, CA 94596
(Address)

Project Title: Walnut Heights School Modernization Project

Project Applicant: Walnut Creek School District

Project Location - Specific:
4064 Walnut Blvd., Walnut Creek, CA

Project Location - City: Walnut Creek Project Location - County: Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The proposed project would renovate existing buildings and landscaping, revise the parking/entry area, and add 2622 sq. ft. library/wellness building (modular), remove and possibly replace the 226-sq. ft. earthquake shed, add perimeter fencing, and make other minor improvements at the school.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Walnut Creek School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Walnut Creek School District

- 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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1, 3 and 14, Sections 15301, 15303 and 15314
[] Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:
Restoration and rehabilitation of structures, as well as interior and exterior alterations of existing structures and facilities are also covered under this exemption (Section 15301 (d) and (a)). The new modular building would fall within the Section 15303 size parameters. The CEQA Class 14 Exemption applies to expansion of schools of less than 25% (project would increase floor area by 13%). See attached Discussion.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Vincent Morales, Chief Business Official Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (925) 944-6850

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? [X] Yes [] No
Signature: [Signature] Date: 06/05/2024 Title: Chief Business Official
[X] Signed by Lead Agency [] Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR:
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1. Public Resources Code.