

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
Office of Facility Planning, Construction and Management
9838 Old Placerville Road, Suite B, Sacramento, CA 95827

PROJECT TITLE: San Quentin Rehabilitation Center Upper Yard Project

PROJECT LOCATION(S): San Quentin Rehabilitation Center, 100 Main Street, San Quentin CA 95964

Description Of Nature, Purpose, And Beneficiaries Of Project: The project will include design and construction improvements to the existing San Quentin Rehabilitation Center infrastructure. The project will include the demolition of the existing Upper Yard paving, Individual Exercise Yards, yard fencing, and disconnecting existing utilities. Additionally, this project will include design and construction of an open area that includes accessible walkways, support infrastructure, utilities, lighting, and seating to provide recreational and programing areas.

The canopy will remain to provide shade and weather protection. The water cannon and guard posts, within the canopy, are planned to be removed. The catwalks and large utilities conduits are to remain. The project will not impact the overall historical integrity of the Upper Yard. All work will occur within previously disturbed, developed areas that are not environmentally significant.

Name Of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Name Of Person Or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Office of Facility Planning, Construction, and Management, 9838 Old Placerville Road, Sacramento, CA 95827

EXEMPT STATUS:

- 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 Class 1, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities)

Reason Why Project Is Exempt: This project involves no expansion of existing use and located within a previously disturbed area that is not considered environmentally or historically sensitive. This is one of a class of projects that the Secretary for Resources has found do not have a significant effect on the environment, and therefore is declared categorically exempt from the requirement for preparing an environmental document.

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