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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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**Project Title/Case Nos.** Minor Modification Case No. MOD24-0019

**Project Location:**  
37977 Bob Hope Drive  
Rancho Mirage, CA 92270  
APN: 674-430-012

**Applicant/Representative:**  
Annenberg Foundation at  
Sunnylands  
37977 Bob Hope Drive  
Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

**Project Description:**  
Approval to develop three cottages ranging in size from 1,349 square feet to 1,792 square feet, repurposing the existing maintenance building and greenhouse, a new well site, and associated site improvements.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Rancho Mirage  
**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Ben Torres  
Planning Manager

**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)];  Statutory Exemption; Code No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Categorical Exemption. State type and Section number: CEQA Guidelines, Section 15332 Class 32

**Reasons why project is exempt:** This project is for the development of three cottages ranging in size from 1,349 square feet to 1,792 square feet, repurposing the existing maintenance building and greenhouse, a new well site, and associated site improvements on a 3.75-acre project site within the Annenberg Estate at Sunnylands. The three guest cottages proposed will complement Sunnylands operations by serving as accommodations for retreat participants and guests. In addition, the old maintenance building and greenhouse will be repurposed as low activity space and for informal gatherings. This project is Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15332 - Infill Development Projects. The project site is under the 5-acre limit, has access to utilities like water and electricity, and is within the already developed property. The project meets all the applicable requirements to be categorized as an Infill Development Project.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Ben Torres, Planning Manager

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**Date:** 8-07-2024

  
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Ben Torres, Planning Manager

Signed by Lead Agency

**Date Received for filing at OPR:** \_\_\_\_\_