

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



State of California  
 The Natural Resources Agency  
 California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

**PROJECT TITLE** EDUCATE: Advancing Early Childhood Education, Parenting & Literacy’s Green Oasis: Cultivating Sustainable Futures in Urban Landscapes

**PROJECT LOCATION** Long Beach **COUNTY** Los Angeles

**LEAD AGENCY** California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

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**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

EDUCATE will implement a green schoolyard project at one preschool site. Project activities will include removing 4,200 square feet of concrete and asphalt, replacing 3,000 square feet of concrete with permeable surfaces such as decomposed granite, engineered wood fiber, sand pit, and artificial turf. 5 fifteen gallon shade trees and 99 one to five gallon shrubs will be planted. 3 wrap around tree benches, 4 wood tables, 16 log seats, 2 sand tables will be added.

**EXEMPTION STATUS**

- Categorical Exemption Type/Section: Class 4, §15304 Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemption (state code section):
- Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

**REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT**

This project meets the requirements of Class 4 Categorical Exemption (Minor Alterations to Land) Section 15304. Project implementation will result in alterations to the land that are best described as minor in scope. It has been concluded that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. The Department has concluded that no significant adverse environmental impacts will occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forest resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, populations and housing, public services, recreation, transportation and traffic, utilities and service systems, or wildfire risk. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at CAL FIRE’s Headquarters in Sacramento.

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