

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Duarte Unified School District
1620 Huntington Drive
Duarte, CA 91010

Duarte High School Sports Complex Project

Project Title

1565 East Central Avenue (Assessor's Parcel Number 8530-021-905)

Project Location – Specific

Duarte

Los Angeles

Project Location – City

Project Location – County

The Project involves a new, 30,633-square-foot gymnasium building and sitework around the new building and adjoining existing buildings to the east, renovation of the southern parking lot, connection of new utility systems for the new building, and realignment and replacement of existing public stormwater and sewer line segments located under the new building footprint. The new building would support the existing high school program and be available for community use when not used by the school or District. The replacement public sewer and stormwater lines have been installed with no interruption to existing services. The new building is currently under construction, and the Project would be completed and available for operation in 2025.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project

Duarte Unified School District

Name of Public Agency Approving Project

Duarte Unified School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

Exempt Status:

- Categorical Exemption: Section 15301 (Class 1, Existing Facilities), 15304 (Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land) and 15314 (Class 14, Minor Additions to Schools)

Class 1 applies as Project implementation required the replacement and realignment of existing stormwater and sewer line segments that do not expand use of the existing facilities. The diameter of the replacement stormwater drain segments would be the same width of those existing. The diameter of the replacement sewer main segments would increase by 2 inches; however, the realigned sewer segments connected to an existing pipe segment, downstream from the Project, that operates the original smaller width. Therefore, the Project would not directly or indirectly increase the capacity or use of the existing public utility systems. Class 4 applies to the Project as all areas disturbed by the Project would be restored with new pavement, building space, and/or landscaping to minimize erosion and allow continued school operations. No scenic or mature trees would be removed by the Project. Class 14 applies to the Project as the proposed gymnasium is an accessory facility to the existing high school campus and would not increase the number of classrooms or the enrollment capacity of Duarte High School. No additional school-sponsored programming is proposed that would increase spectator attendance beyond existing conditions, and the school enrollment capacity would remain the same as under existing conditions. Additionally, none of the exceptions listed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to the Project.

Reasons why project is exempt

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Lead Agency Contact Person

Area Code/Telephone

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption findings
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: 

Date:

09-16-2024

Title: Asst. Supt-Business Svcs

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant