

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): Heather Davis, Director
Campus Planning and Environmental Stewardship
255 Cousteau Place, University of California, Davis, CA 95616

(Address)

Project Title: College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences Crow Deterrence

Project Applicant: University of California, Davis

Project Location - Specific:

Hutchison Drive & Olive Tree Drive

Project Location - City: Davis Project Location - County: Yolo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

UC Davis proposes to install and operate a temporary noisemaking device to deter crows from an agricultural research field on West Campus, near Olive Tree Drive and Hutchison Drive. This activity will begin in November 2024 and continue for approximately 30 days. The noisemaker, which is gas-powered and makes a sound like a muffled gunshot, will operate as needed between 7 A.M. and 6 P.M. This activity is consistent with ongoing agricultural and landscaping activities and nearby noise levels.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: University of California, Davis

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: University of California, Davis

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));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1: Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The operation of equipment with no expansion of existing use qualifies as categorically exempt under Exemption Class 1 of the Guidelines for the Implementation to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Exemption Class 1 applies to the operation, repair, permitting, leasing, licensing, maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities or mechanical equipment, involving negligible or no expansion of an existing use. In addition, none of the exceptions for application of a categorical exemption apply to this project.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Heather Davis Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-752-6043

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? Yes No

Signature: Alex Tremblay Date: 11/25/2024 Title: Environmental Planner

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____