



Department of  
Cannabis Control  
CALIFORNIA

**NOTICE of EXEMPTION from CEQA**  
**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL**

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From: Department of Cannabis Control  
Cultivation Licensing Branch  
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Project Title: Secret Garden Group, Inc.

Project Location: The Project is located at 571 Crane St., Unit#H, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530, in Riverside County.

County: Riverside

Project Description:

The Department of Cannabis Control, pursuant to authority granted under Business and Profession Code Division 10, Chapter 2, Section 26012, approved a Cannabis License submitted on 10/24/2024, by Troy Vallin. The Secret Garden Group, Inc. applied for a Microbusiness License in an existing facility.

Project Activities:

The Project will occupy an existing building with a total square footage of approximately 3,754 square feet. The cannabis activities occurring onsite are non-volatile manufacturing using infusions, non-storefront retail, and distribution. There are no exterior changes proposed to the building.

Exemption Status: (check one)

- Ministerial [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(1); CCR, Sec. 15268]
- Declared Emergency [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(3); CCR, Sec.15269(a)]
- Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); CCR, Sec.15269(b)(c)]
- Categorical Exemption: [Class 1 Categorical Exemption Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, §15301]
- Statutory Exemptions: [State code section number]
- General Rule [CCR, Sec. 15061(b)(3)]

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The Department of Cannabis Control has determined that the project is a Class 1 Categorical Exemption project. Class 1 Categorical Exemptions consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alterations to existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The Project involves the use of an existing industrial building with no proposal for exterior changes or the addition of square footage. The design, location, size, and operating characteristics of the Project are compatible with the existing and future land uses within the vicinity. None of the exceptions to the exemption defined in Section 15300.2 apply to the Project.

This is to certify that the final environmental document, comments and responses, and the record of project approval are available to the public at the following location:

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