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# Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Whittier Union High School District  
9401 South Painter Avenue  
Whittier, CA 90605

County Clerk, Los Angeles  
PO Box 1208  
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Whittier High School Tennis Court and Parking Lot Corrections

## Project Title

12417 Philadelphia Street; northeast portion of Assessor's Parcel Number 8140024901

## Project Location - Specific

Whittier

Los Angeles

## Project Location - City

## Project Location - County

The District proposes improvements to the Whittier High School tennis courts and surrounding asphalt areas. Improvements would include new asphalt paving, resurfacing of the tennis courts, two new sets of bleachers, and a new concrete walkway to access the bleachers. Nighttime lighting would be installed for both sets of tennis courts. Landscaping between the eastern lot and Whittier Avenue would be improved for security and line-of-site purposes. Proposed improvements would be available for community use when not used by the school or District.

## Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project

Whittier Union High School District

## Name of Public Agency Approving Project

Whittier Union High School District

## Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

## Exempt Status:

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

The Class 1 exemption applies as the proposed improvement would repair, replace, and maintain existing facilities at the campus and would have the same capacity as the existing use. The Class 4 exemption applies as the Project would occur on an entirely developed area of graded land with a slope of less than 10 percent that is not within a waterway, wetlands, and/or areas of severe geologic hazards. Project construction would require minor alterations to the Project site, involving minor excavation, grading, and trenching to install the proposed improvements. All disturbed surfaces would be backfilled and restored for continued use of the existing school facilities and to limit potential stormwater runoff. The Project would require the removal of low shrubs, ivy, and grass. No mature trees would be removed for Project implementation. The Class 14 exemption applies as the proposed improvements would not add new classrooms, change the number of classrooms, introduce any new athletic programs or sports at the school, or increase the original student capacity by more than 25 percent or classroom count by 10. Therefore, 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

Steven Rodriguez, Director of Business Operations

(562) 698-8121 Ext.1500

## 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:

3/12/25

Title:

DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant