

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

DATE: March 26, 2025

TO: Alameda County Clerk
1106 Madison Street
Oakland, CA 94607

Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: City of Oakland | Oakland Public Works
Bureau of Environment | Park & Tree Division
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SUBJECT: **Filing of Notice of Exemption in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code**

PROJECT TITLE: Resolution Approving Shepherd Canyon To Grass Valley Evacuation Route Project To Clear Dead and Dying Trees

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If submitted to State Clearinghouse): This Resolution approved the City's use of \$1,000,000 grant funds for the Shepherd Canyon to Grass Valley Evacuation Route Project to remove dead and dying trees along specified evacuation routes in the Skyline Boulevard corridor. This project is funded by the California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), with a start date of 12/9/2024 and an expiration date of March 15, 2030. In the Resolution, the City Council affirmed that it reviewed the proposed project and independently found and determined that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") under CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(b) (Emergency Projects) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) because the Project provides emergency repairs to existing publicly or privately-owned service facilities necessary to maintain existing service essential to the public health, safety, and welfare.

PROJECT APPLICANT: City of Oakland, Bureau of Planning


PROJECT LOCATION: Shepherd Canyon to Grass Valley Evacuation Route Area in the Skyline Boulevard Corridor

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND APPROPRIATE ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION (CAL FIRE) FIRE PREVENTION PROGRAM TO REMOVE DEAD, DYING, AND HAZARDOUS TREES WITHIN THE SHEPHERD CANYON TO GRASS VALLEY EVACUATION ROUTE AREA; AND MAKING APPROPRIATE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FINDINGS

This Notice of Exemption (NOE) advises that the City of Oakland, as the Lead Agency for the above-described Project, has approved the Project and has made the following determinations on September 12, 2024 by adopted Resolution. The Council affirmed that it reviewed the proposed project and independently found and determined that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") under CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(b) (Emergency Projects) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) because the Project provides emergency repairs to existing publicly or privately-owned service facilities necessary to maintain existing service essential to the public health, safety, and welfare.

Mar 28, 2025

Date


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Environmental Review Officer







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Final Audit Report

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