

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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From: Port of Long Beach
Environmental Planning Division
415 West Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach, California 90802

Project Title: Harbor Scenic Drive Roadway and Infrastructure Improvements Project – Harbor Development Permit No. 24-066(1)

State Clearinghouse No:

Project Applicant: Port of Long Beach

Project Location – Specific: Harbor Scenic Drive from Ocean Blvd to Harbor Plaza; Various locations within the Harbor District

Project Location – City: Long Beach, California

Project Location – County: Los Angeles County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The first amendment to HDP 24-066 is for improvements to Harbor Scenic Drive including new roadway pavement section, improved horizontal/vertical alignments, new way-finding signage, dynamic messaging signs, utility work including storm drains, street lighting, landscaping, irrigation, retaining walls and guardrail.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Port of Long Beach

Name of Person or Agency Carrying out Project: Port of Long Beach

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial Exemption [Section 21080(b)(1); 15268];
- Declared Emergency (Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project [Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)]
- Categorical Exemption.

State type and section number: Section 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures and Section 15301 Existing Facilities

- Statutory Exemption.
State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Section 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (Class 3): The Class 3 Categorical Exemption consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. The project involves the installation of various improvements such as a new roadway pavement section, improved horizontal/vertical alignments, new way-finding signage, dynamic messaging signs, utility work including storm drains, street lighting, landscaping, irrigation, retaining walls and guardrail.

Section 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1): The Class 1 Categorical Exemption consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The project involves the installation of various improvements to an existing roadway involving no expansion of existing or former use.

The Port has determined that none of the exceptions to the exemptions in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15300.2 foreclose the use of Categorical Exemption CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) and Section 15301 (Existing Facilities); therefore the Project is exempt from CEQA and no further environmental review is required.


Lead Agency

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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:  **Date:** 4/14/25 **Title:** Director of Environmental Planning
Renee Moilanen
 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: _____