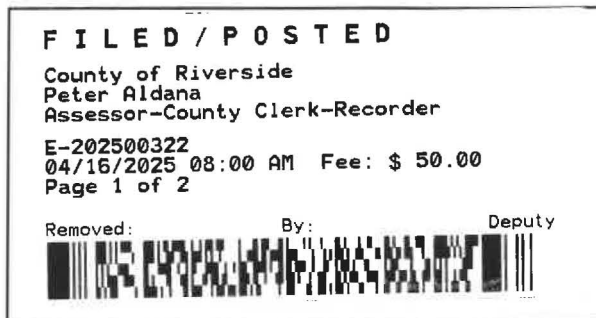


County of Riverside
Facilities Management
3450 14th Street, Riverside, CA



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

March 25, 2025

Project Name: Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) Approval of the Notice Exercising the Option to Extend Lease to Indio Office Property Inc. Indio

Project Number: FM042341005900

Project Location: 48113 Jackson Street, south of Avenue 48, Indio, CA 92201; Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 614-340-015

Description of Project: On June 25, 2002, the County of Riverside (County) entered into a lease agreement for 31,171 square feet of office space located at 48113 Jackson Street, Indio (Lease), for use by DPSS to serve its children and adult services programs.

The facility continues to meet the needs of the department, and through this action, the County intends to exercise its Option to Extend the Lease term for an additional five years and provide the property and required one year notice to Lessor. The Lease Agreement with Indio Office Property Inc., is identified as the proposed project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The proposed project would involve a lease extension for an existing facility. No substantial increase in capacity or physical expansion beyond what was previously planned for the existing building would occur. No significant physical changes would occur as a result of the Lease Agreement.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Riverside County


Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Riverside County Facilities Management

Exempt Status: State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities Exemption; Section 15061(b) (3), General Rule or "Common Sense" Exemption. Codified under California Code of Regulations Title 14, Article 5, Section 15061.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The proposed project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA specifically by the State CEQA Guidelines as identified below. The project will not result in any specific or general exceptions to the use of the categorical exemption as detailed under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2. The project will not cause an impact to an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern nor would the project involve unusual circumstances that could potentially have a significant effect on the environment. The project would not result in impacts to scenic highways, hazardous waste sites, historic resources, or other sensitive natural environments, or have a cumulative effect to the environment. No significant environmental impacts are anticipated to occur with the extension of the Lease Agreement.

- **Section 15301 – Class 1 Existing Facilities Exemption:** This categorical exemption includes the operation, repair, maintenance, leasing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities, provided the exemption only involves negligible or no expansion of the previous site’s use. The project is limited to the lease of space within an existing facility and no physical modifications to the building footprint would occur as a result. The extension of the Lease Agreement would not result in a significant increase in capacity beyond the existing use of the facility. Therefore, the project is exempt as it meets the scope and intent of the Categorical Exemption identified in Section 15301, Article 19, Categorical Exemptions of the CEQA Guidelines.
- **Section 15061 (b) (3) – “Common Sense” Exemption:** In accordance with CEQA, the use of the Common Sense Exemption is based on the “general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.” State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b) (3). The use of this exemption is appropriate if “it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.” *Ibid*. This determination is an issue of fact and if sufficient evidence exists in the record that the activity cannot have a significant effect on the environment, then the exemption applies and no further evaluation under CEQA is required. See *No Oil, Inc. v. City of Los Angeles* (1974) 13 Cal. 3d 68. The ruling in this case stated that if a project falls within a category exempt by administrative regulation or 'it can be seen with certainty that the activity in question will not have a significant effect on the environment', no further agency evaluation is required. With certainty, there is no possibility that the project may have a significant effect on the environment. The proposed extension of the Lease Agreement will not result in any direct or indirect physical environmental impacts. The use and operation of the facility will be substantially similar to the existing use and will not create any new environmental impacts to the surrounding area. No impacts beyond the ongoing, existing use of the site would occur. Therefore, in no way, would the project as proposed have the potential to cause a significant environmental impact and the project is exempt from further CEQA analysis.

Therefore, the County of Riverside Facilities Management hereby concludes that no physical environmental impacts are anticipated to occur and the project as proposed is exempt under CEQA. No further environmental analysis is warranted.

Signed:  _____ Date: 3-25-2025
Mike Sullivan
County of Riverside, Facilities Management



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER: 25-112257
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY RIVERSIDE COUNTY FACILITES MGMT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL MSULLIVAN@RIVCO.ORG	DATE 04/16/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING RIVERSIDE	DOCUMENT NUMBER E-202500322	

PROJECT TITLE
 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES (DPSS) APPROVAL OF THE NOTICE EXERCISING THE OPTION TO EXTEND LEASE TO INDIO OFFICE PROPERTY INC. INDIO

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME RIVERSIDE COUNTY FACILITIES MGMT	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL MSULLIVAN@RIVCO.ORG	PHONE NUMBER (951) 955-4820
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 3450 14TH STREET,	CITY RIVERSIDE	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 92501

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$4,123.50 \$ _____
- Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$2,968.75 \$ _____
- Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$1,401.75 \$ _____
- Exempt from fee
 - Notice of Exemption (attach)
 - CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
- Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)
- Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$850.00 \$ _____
- County documentary handling fee \$ _____ \$50.00
- Other \$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ _____ \$50.00

SIGNATURE X <i>I Tejada</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Deputy Isabel Tejada
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Peter Aldana
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Receipt: 25-112257

Product	Name	Extended
FISH	CLERK FISH AND GAME FILINGS	\$50.00
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	No Charge Clerk Fee	false
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Total		\$50.00
Tender (On Account)		\$50.00
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Account Name	CEQARIVCOFM - RIVERSIDE COUNTY FACILITIES MANAGEMENT	
Balance	\$7,285.75	
Comment	SST3502S1800	