



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: County of Los Angeles
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12400 Imperial Highway,
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From: Port of Long Beach
Environmental Planning Division
415 West Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach, California 90802

Project Title: Joint Revocable Permit – MCIMetro Access Transmission Services LLC
State Clearinghouse No.:
Project Location – Specific: Vicinity of 2422 E. Sepulveda Blvd, south side of W. Willow Street, east of Middle Road, in the former UPRR San Pedro Branch Right-of-Way and ACTA Corridor, approximately 100 feet north of the centerline of Sepulveda Boulevard in the City of Carson
Project Location – City: Long Beach **Project Location – County:** Los Angeles County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Board of Harbor Commissioners approved a Joint Revocable Permit with MCIMetro Access Transmission Services LLC (MCIMetro), to allow for the placement of an overhead fiber optic cable across the former Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) San Pedro Branch Right-of-Way and the ACTA Corridor Right-of-Way. The fiber optic cable will be placed on existing poles located outside of the Joint Port’s property. The agreement will be effective upon the last execution by the Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of the respective Harbor Departments of the cities and is revocable by either party upon 120 days’ notice to the other parties.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Port of Long Beach
Name of Person or Agency Carrying out Project: Port of Long Beach and MCIMetro Access Transmission Services LLC

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 15301 Existing Facilities; Section 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

- Statutory Exemption.
State code number:
- Common Sense Exemption (Section 15061(b)(3))

Reasons why project is exempt:

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 consists of the issuance of Joint Revocable Permit (JRP) to allow placement of an overhead fiber optic cable across the former UPRR San Pedro Branch Right-of-Way to existing poles located outside of the Joint Port’s property. The JRP also allows access across the Port’s land during the construction. The project involves negligible expansion of existing or former use.

Section 15303(d) New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (Class 3): The Class 3 Categorical Exemption consists of the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures. The installation of new aerial communications fiber cable lines on existing power poles constitutes the installation of small new equipment in small structures.


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 the categorical exemption CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures); 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:** 4/28/25 **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: _____