



## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**To:** County of Los Angeles  
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**From (Lead Agency):** Port of Long Beach  
Environmental Planning Division  
415 West Ocean Boulevard  
Long Beach, California 90802

Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, California 95814  
*Via State Clearinghouse CEQA Portal*

**Applicant:** Olympus Terminals, LLC  
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**Project Title:** Underground Pipeline Leak – Emergency Permit No. 25-017  
**State Clearinghouse No:**  
**Project Location – Specific:** Along Railroad tracks on Pico Avenue; Harbor Planning District 2 – Northeast Harbor  
**Project Location – City:** Long Beach, California **Project Location – County:** Los Angeles County

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

Nature of the Emergency: On 3/12/25, a waiver of emergency permit requirements was issued to Olympus Terminal, LLC to allow immediate action to be taken to address an active crude oil leak from an underground pipeline. Subsequent actions are now required to replace contaminated storm drain pipe and perform remedial cleanup of the affected area.

Cause Of Emergency: Underground crude pipeline leak. Remedial, Protective, Or Preventative Work Required: Phase 1: Excavate along the railroad Tracks and Pico Avenue to complete remediation and replacement of a perforated storm drain and backfill/compaction to grade; Phase 2: Collect background soil samples for testing to establish baseline levels of material in the soil and conduct the baseline track monitoring survey. Remediate the soil from the center of Pico Avenue to the eastern curb until all oil is removed. Phase 3: Continue remediation north of Phase 1 location until the perforated drainpipe is replaced as needed due to contamination.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Port of Long Beach  
**Name of Person or Agency Carrying out Project:** Olympus Terminals, 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:*
- Statutory Exemption.  
*State code number: Section 15269 (Emergency Project)*

### Reasons why project is exempt:

Section 15269 (b)(c) Emergency Project: Emergency Projects are statutorily exempt from requirements of CEQA if the emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety or welfare, and the specific actions are necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency. The project

involves the replacement of contaminated storm drain pipe, soil sampling, and remedial cleanup of the affected area in order to address the threat to public health and safety.


**Lead Agency**

**Contact Person:** Jennifer Blanchard

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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: \_\_\_\_\_