

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: Electric School Bus and Charging Infrastructure
Project Applicant: Pajaro Valley Unified School District
Project Location - Specific: 196 Grimer Rd.

Project Location - City: Watsonville
Project Location - County: Santa Cruz

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

To purchase 8 electric school buses, and 8 electric charging stations, and install the electric school bus charging stations.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Energy Commission
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Pajaro Valley Unified School District

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15301

Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project will involve the installation of 8 electric vehicle chargers in the bus yard which is a paved lot at a bus yard in Watsonville. The chargers will be used to charge new electric school buses that will replace existing diesel buses. This installation will be a minor alteration to an existing facility with no expansion beyond the existing use of the facility and will not have a significant effect on the environment.

This project therefore falls under categorical exemption listed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15301. Further, none of the exceptions listed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to this project.

Responsible Agency
Contact Person: Sarah Williams Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 916-651-9866

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: [Signature] Date: 7/16/19 Title: Spec 2

Signed by Responsible Agency Signed by Applicant

Governor's Office of Planning & Research
Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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