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Notice of Exemption

TO: Sonoma County Clerk-Recorder Office
585 Fiscal Dr., Room 103
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

From: Windsor Unified School District
9291 Old Redwood Highway
Bldg 500
Windsor, CA 95492
Attn: Superintendent

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

AUG 30 2019

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

If Courier Service or Hand Delivery:
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Project Title: Solar Array Structure and Parking Lot Reconfiguration at Brooks Elementary School ("Project").

Project Applicant: Windsor Unified School District.

Project Location - Specific: Brooks Elementary School, 750 Natalie Dr, Windsor, CA 95492.

Project Location - City and County: City of Windsor, County of Sonoma.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Project consists of the construction and installation of net energy metered solar photovoltaic systems on canopy structures in a parking lot at Brooks Elementary School ("Project").

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Windsor Unified School District.

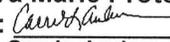
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Windsor Unified School District.

Exempt Status:

- 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:**
 - Class 1 – Sec. 15301, Existing Facilities
 - Class 2 – Sec. 15302, Replacement or Reconstruction
 - Class 3 – Sec. 15303, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures
 - Class 11 – Sec. 15311, Accessory Structures
 - Class 14 – Sec. 15314, Minor Additions to Schools
- Statutory Exemption:**
- Other:** Public Resources Code sec. 21080.35 (installation of a solar energy system at an existing parking lot)

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and will remain posted for a period of thirty days
through 09/27/2019

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Deva Marie Proto, County Clerk
BY: 
Carrie Anderson, Deputy Clerk

Brooks Elementary School • Cali Calmécac Language Academy • Mattie Washburn Elementary School
North County Consortium Program • Windsor Creek Elementary School • Windsor High School
Windsor Middle School • Windsor Oaks Academy

Windsor Unified School District
9291 Old Redwood Highway
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Windsor, CA 95492-9217

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Reasons Why Project Is Exempt:

- **Public Resources Code section 21080.35:** The Project is minor in scope and involves, among others, the construction and installation of solar photovoltaic systems (i.e., solar energy system) on parking lot canopy structures at an existing parking lot at three of the four sites. The existing parking lot has been designated and used for parking vehicles as of the time of the application for the solar energy system and for at least the previous two years. The Project: (1) does not require removal of a tree protected pursuant to local, state, or federal requirements; (2) does not require removal of a native tree over 25 years old; or (3) does not involve any transmission or distribution facility or connection.
- **Class 1 – Existing Facilities (Sec. 15301):** The Project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency’s determination. The “existing facilities” include, pursuant to subdivision (a), exterior alterations involving such things as plumbing and electrical conveyances and, pursuant to subdivision (b), utilities used to provide electric power or other public utility services.
- **Class 2 – Replacement or Reconstruction (Sec. 15302):** The Project consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. Consistent with subdivision (b) of this exemption, the Project involves replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.
- **Class 3 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (Sec. 15303):** The Project 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. Consistent with subdivision (e) of this exemption, the Project involves construction of accessory (appurtenant) structures including garages, carports, and fences.
- **Class 11 – Accessory Structures (Sec. 15311):** The Project consists of construction, or placement of minor structures accessory to (appurtenant to) existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities. Consistent with subdivision (b) of this exemption, the existing facilities under the Project involve a parking lot.
- **Class 14 – Minor Additions to Schools (Sec. 15314):** The Project consists of minor additions to existing schools within existing school grounds where the addition does not increase original student capacity by more than 25% or ten classrooms, whichever is less. The Project has been examined in the context of these foregoing exemptions and has been found consistent with the criteria. The Project is not barred by any exceptions of Section 15300.2 because the Lead Agency/Applicant has determined that the Project: (1) is not located in a sensitive environment; (2) has no cumulative impact; (3) will not have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances; (4) will not result in damage to scenic resources; (5) is not located on a hazardous waste site; and (6) will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Lois Standring, Chief Business Officer

Telephone: 707-837-7726

Signature: Lois Standring

Date: 8/26/19

Title: CBO

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2019 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 12/01/18) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER: 49-08272019-356
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY WINDSOR UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 08/27/2019
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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SONOMA	DOCUMENT NUMBER 19-0827-05
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PROJECT TITLE
SOLAR ARRAY STRUCTURE AND PARKING LOT RECONFIGURATION AT BROOKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME WINDSOR UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (707) 837-7726
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 9291 OLD REDWOOD HIGHWAY BLDG 500	CITY WINDSOR	STATE CA	ZIP CODE 95492
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PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

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

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,271.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,354.75	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,112.00	\$ _____

Exempt from fee
 Notice of Exemption (attach)
 CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE <i>X Carrie Anderson</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Carrie Anderson, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder
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