



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Jimmy's Oriental Gardens Interpretive Display

LOCATION: El Presidio de Santa Barbara SHP

COUNTY: Santa Barbara

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

This is a temporary and removable graphic vinyl wrap installed on one entire wall inside the restored Jimmy's bar within the historic footprint of the Presidio. It depicts a crowded interior with mixed nationalities enjoying this popular hangout with Jimmy at the bar during the peak Chinese-American era in Santa Barbara in the 1940's. After the Presidio was bisected for the development of the city many commercial ventures erected within the historic footprint. Jimmy's was among them and would have been in the center of the Parade Grounds during the Presidio era beginning in 1782. Interpreting this Chinese-American era is a mandate of the park unit's Interpretive Plan.

The measures included may be acquired by contacting the project contact listed below.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Channel Coast District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 3


Section: 15303

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.4. If the project is implemented as indicated within the Project Evaluation Form, then it is exempt under **CEQA § 15303-New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures**. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA § 15300.4 as defined in the Department of Operations Manual, Chapter 0600 as:

- "Construction or installation of park facilities such as kiosks, restrooms, small parking lots, interpretive signing or panels, fencing, signs," (Class 3, Section 15303)

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