

## FREMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**To:** State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street  
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**From:** Fremont Union High School District  
589 West Fremont Avenue  
Sunnyvale, CA 94087

**Project Title:** Monta Vista High School Improvements

**Project Location:** Monta Vista High School, 21840 McClellan Road

**Project Location – City:** Cupertino, CA 95014

**Project Location – County:** Santa Clara County

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Fremont Union High School District

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Fremont Union High School District

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Christine Mallery

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**Description of Project:** The Fremont Union High School District (District) Measure CC Bond projects include various improvements at existing District facilities to serve existing and projected enrollment. At the Monta Vista High School (MVHS) campus, the District proposes the following improvements:

- modernizing 77 existing classrooms (e.g., HVAC, lighting, flooring, roofing, technology, furniture, fixtures, and equipment), and
- resurfacing of, and adding benches and landscaping to, the academic quad.

No new classrooms are proposed by the project. All proposed project improvements would occur within the boundary of the existing MVHS campus.

**Exempt Status:** Article 19, Categorical Exemptions, Sections 15300 to 15333 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines lists classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and, therefore, are exempt from the provisions of CEQA.

The proposed project is exempt under Class 14, Minor Additions to Schools (Section 15314), which consists of minor additions to existing schools within existing school grounds that do not increase student capacity by more than 25 percent or 10 classrooms, whichever is less.

In addition, one or more of the following Categorical Exemptions could also be applicable to the proposed improvements at Monta Vista High School:

Class 1 - Section 15301. Existing Facilities: Operation, repair, maintenance or minor alterations to existing public and private facilities involving no or negligible expansion of existing or former use.

Class 2 - Section 15302. Replacement or Reconstruction: Replacement or reconstruction of structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site for substantially the same purpose.

Class 3 - Section 15303. New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures: 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 small structures from one use to another where only small modifications are made to the exterior of the structure.

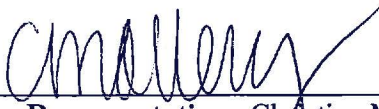
Class 4 - Section 15304. Minor Alterations to Land: Minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation that does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

Class 11 - Section 15311. Accessory Structures: Construction or replacement of minor structures accessory to existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities.

Class 30 - Section 15330. Minor Actions to Prevent, Minimize, Stabilize, Mitigate, or Eliminate the Release or Threat of Release of Hazardous Waste or Hazardous Substances: Any minor cleanup actions taken to prevent, minimize, stabilize, mitigate, or eliminate the release of hazardous waste or substances which are small or medium removal actions costing \$1 million or less.

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:** The proposed improvements to the existing MVHS facilities are minor and would occur within the boundary of the existing Monta Vista High School campus. The project does not propose new classrooms. Therefore, the proposed project would not increase original student capacity by more than 25 percent or ten classrooms.

Per section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines, it has been determined that the project is not located on a hazardous waste site and would not result in a significant impact due to unusual circumstances, damage scenic resources, affect an historic resource, or result in a cumulative impact. For these reasons and those stated above, the project is exempt from the provisions of CEQA.



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**Lead Agency Representative:** Christine Mallery  
CBO/Associate Superintendent

**Date:** February 19, 2020