



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

NOTICE of EXEMPTION from CEQA
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From: Department of Food and Agriculture
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Project Title: Humboldt 454 (Project)

Project Location: The Project is located at 1125 Northwestern Avenue, Rio Dell, in Humboldt County.

County: Humboldt County

Project Description:

The Department of Food and Agriculture, pursuant to authority granted under Business and Profession Code Division 10, Chapter 2, Section 26012, approved a Cannabis Cultivation License submitted on 12/28/2018, by Humboldt 454. Humboldt 454 applied for a Small Indoor license.

Project Activities:

The Project will consist of constructing a 9,800 square foot cannabis cultivation facility inside an existing 23,500 square foot building. According to the CDFW Self Certification form, interior construction activities will consist of installing spray foam insulation and installing fire walls. Cultivation beds will consist of wood lined with plastic to limit runoff. According to the City of Rio Dell, exterior retrofits required by the City consist of painting parking spaces, adding curbs to the pavement, installing security fences and alarm systems, and other improvements to comply with City requirements. According to the Self Certification form, there will be no activity located in streambeds. Aerial photos provided by the applicant in their project description and from CDFA's GIS resources show that the project is located on a disturbed parcel. According to the City of Rio Dell zoning map, the project is located in a zone for commercial and industrial activity.

Exemption Status: (check one)

- Ministerial [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(1); CCR, Sec. 15268]
- Declared Emergency [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(3); CCR, Sec. 15269(a)]
- Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); CCR, Sec. 15269(b)(c)]
- Categorical Exemption: [Class 3 Categorical Exemption Cal. Code Regs., Title 14, §15303]
- Statutory Exemptions: [State code section number]
- General Rule [CCR, Sec. 15061(b)(3)]

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

Based on information contained in the administrative record, CDFA finds that either the project or project element(s) (Application LCA18-0003083) is eligible for a Class 3 categorical exemption. CDFA finds that either the project or project element(s) fit(s) within the parameters included in CEQA Guidelines Section 15303, and none of the exceptions to this exemption defined in Section 15300.2 apply.

This is to certify that the final environmental document, comments and responses, and the record of project approval are available to the public at the following location:

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