



City of Carson 701 E. Carson St., CA 90745

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

CEQA: California Environmental Quality Act

TO: Office of Planning and Research
State of California
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 90815

Los Angeles County Registrar
Recorder/County Clerk
12400 E. Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

Project Title: Design Overlay Review No. 1810-19

Project Location- Specific: 321 West Francisco Street

Project Location- City: Carson

Project Location- County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The applicant is proposing Design Overlay Review No. 1810-19 to for site and building improvements to an existing waste handling facility site.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Carson

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: USA Waste of California, Inc.

Exempt Status: *(check one)*

- Ministerial
- Declared Emergency
- Emergency Project
- Categorical Exemption. (Section 15301)
- Statutory Exemptions.

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project includes site and building improvements to improve operational efficiency and beautify an existing 6.4-acre waste handling facility site (USA Waste of California, Inc.). Pursuant to Section 15301, Class 1—Existing Facilities, of the California Environmental Quality Act, this project is categorically exempt. Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

The project meets all the foregoing criteria. The project consists primarily of painting, re-sheathing, or other exterior-only improvements to the transfer station and office building on the subject property for aesthetic purposes, as well as landscaping improvements to improve the aesthetic appearance of the property from the public right-of-way. One of the smaller buildings on the property, a materials processing building, will be removed and replaced with truck parking space and landscape improvements to screen the western edge of the property from the public right-of-way. Otherwise, certain minor operational repairs, alterations or improvements will be made, in the form of a new truck scale for outbound trailers located on the east side of the transfer station and a new air ventilation/air filtration system located on the west side of the transfer station. Additionally, certain minor sidewalk or other access-related improvements or alterations will be made to the site or the adjacent public right-of-way. There will be no substantial expansion of the existing buildings, operations, or land use, nor will the project involve substantial construction, grading, or subsurface work. The project provides for continued/upgraded operation of the existing site, and constitutes repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing structures, facilities and equipment,

with negligible or no expansion of the existing use, and therefore is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301.

Lead Agency

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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:



Title: Assistant Planner

Date:

4/14/20

- Signed by Lead Agency
 Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR:

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