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Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County of: Napa
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From: (Public Agency): Saint Helena Unified School Distr
465 Main Street
Saint Helena CA, 94574

(Address)

Project Title: Saint Helena High School Scoreboard Replacement Project

Project Applicant: Saint Helena Unified School District

Project Location - Specific:

1401 Grayson Street, Saint Helena, CA 94574

Project Location - City: Saint Helena Project Location - County: Napa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project would consist of the replacement of the existing 14-foot-high by 26-foot-wide scoreboard, mounted atop on 10-foot-high support columns, with a new similarly sized and height scoreboard, to be located about 25 feet to the west of the existing scoreboard.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Saint Helena Unified School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Saint Helena Unified School District

Exempt Status: (check one):

- ☐ 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. State type and section number: Class 2 -Section 15302
- ☒ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: 15061(b)(3)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project proposes replacement of an existing scoreboard with a similarly sized one in the same area of the school field (exempt under Guidelines Section 1530a (a)). In addition, no potential adverse environmental impacts would occur, therefore the project would qualify for the Common Sense CEQA Exemption (Guidelines 15061 (b)(3)). No exceptions to the exemptions would occur at this project site.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Andrea Stubbs Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (707) 967-2704

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: [Signature] Date: 8/20/2020 Title: Chief Business Official

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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SDAINT HELENA HIGH SCHOOL SCOREBOARD REPLACEMENT PROJECT
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION DISCUSSION

Project Description

Existing Facilities

Saint Helena High School, located at 1401 Grayson Avenue in Saint Helena owned and operated by the Saint Helena Unified School District. The school is surrounded by agricultural uses, single family homes (across Grayson Avenue), a park, and an elementary school. The field where the scoreboard would be replaced is separated from Grayson Avenue by a row of tennis courts, and abuts a single-family house to the south (separated by a row of trees). The scoreboard itself is located at the southern end of the field complex, facing north.

Proposed Project

The project would consist of the replacement of the existing 14-foot-high by 26-foot-wide scoreboard, mounted atop on 10-foot-high support columns, with a new similarly sized and height scoreboard, to be located about 25 feet to the west of the existing scoreboard. The existing scoreboard would be removed. No changes in field or scoreboard lighting would occur as part of this project.

The project would be constructed over a three-week period, in September 2020. No new or expanded uses of the sports field proposed as part of this project.

Categorical Exemption Analysis

Class 2 Exemption

The CEQA Class 2 Exemption (Replacement or Reconstruction [CEQA Guidelines, Section 15302]) applies to "replacement or reconstruction of existing facilities, where the structure would be located on the same site as the structure replaced and would have substantially the same purpose and capacity...". The proposed project would replace the existing scoreboard with one of similar size and use, very close to the existing one, in the same area of the football field. Therefore, this exemption would apply.

Analysis of Possible Exceptions to Class21 Exemption

The exemptions are subject to the following exceptions:

- **Cumulative Impact.** This exception would apply if the project were to contribute to significant impacts to a resource in combination with other proposed new development nearby. No other such development is proposed at the school or in the neighborhood, so this exception would not apply
- **Scenic Highways.** This exception would apply if the project were to result in

damage to scenic resources within a scenic highway corridor. There are no highways or roadways in the project area or from which the project area can be seen that are designated as Scenic or are eligible for scenic designation. In addition, the replacement scoreboard would be the same size and in the same general location as the existing one would not be visible from any roadways.

- **Hazardous Waste Sites.** This exception would apply if the project were to be located on a hazardous waste site listed pursuant to California Government Code Section 65962.5. A search of the State Envirostor database conducted on July 6, 2020 found no listed hazardous wastes sites on or near the school site. (https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/map/?global_id=21880002).
- **Historical Resources.** This exception would apply if the project were to potentially significantly adversely affect an historical resource. The proposed project replacement of an existing school football field scoreboard, and therefore would not have the potential to adversely affect any historical resources.
- **Significant Effect.** The exception would apply if the project would have the potential for a significant effect to the environment due to unusual circumstances. Unusual circumstances may include historic structures, hazardous materials contamination, protected species or habitats, and other similar conditions. There are no unusual circumstances on the site and there is no potential for significant effect, therefore this exception would not apply.

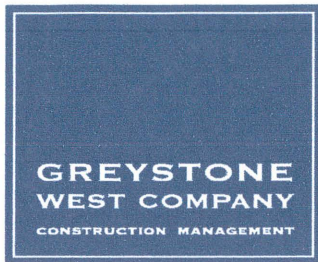
General Rule (Common Sense) Exemption

As described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (3), a project is exempt from further CEQA review if, "The activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA."

As described above for the Class 2 Exemption, the project would have no potential for a significant impact to the environment and therefore qualifies for exemption under the General Rule Exemption.

Conclusions

As discussed above, the project is within the parameters of the Class 2 Exemption. Further, as detailed above, none of the exceptions to the exemption would apply. Therefore, this exemption would apply to the proposed project.



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From Courtney Smith

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