**CEQA: California Environmental Quality Act** 

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Sacramento, CA 95814

From:	ABC Unified School District
	16700 Norwalk Blvd
	Cerritos, CA 90703

County Clerk County of Los Angeles

12400 Imperial Highway

Norwalk, CA 90650

Solar Energy Project - Elliot Elementary School Project Title

18415 Cortner Avenue Project Location - Specific

Artesia Project Location -- City Los Angeles

Project Location – County

The District proposes to install solar energy array on an elevated carport-like structure (Structure A) at Elliott ES. Structure A would be installed over the hardcourts between the kindergarten play area and the classroom buildings; comprised of metal columns and beams supporting array panels. Structure A would be a minimum of 10-foot high and consists of 162 photo-voltaic (PV) modules tilted at a 7-degree angle. The solar system would have the direct current (DC) system size of 68.04 kilowatts (kW). Approximately 257 feet of conduit would be installed by directional boring from Structure A to an existing electrical equipment box to the east through paved lots and grass area (see Figure 2). The project would also provide underground conduit for installation of car chargers in the future. However, Installation of car chargers require additional funding and would not be installed at this time. The District and general community will benefit from a reduction in energy consumption and reduced energy costs.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project

## ABC Unified School District

Name of Public Agency Approving Project

## ABC Unified School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

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Exempt Status: (check one below)

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: §15301 Class 1, Existing Facilities, §15303 Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, §15314 Class 14, Minor Addition to Schools

Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

The project involves the construction of solar energy array on an elevated carport. The proposed solar array will not result in an increase in student capacity or an expansion of existing use. No off-campus improvements will occur. Existing use of the facility as an elementary school will stay the same under the proposed project. Therefore, the project is exempt from CEQA under Sections 15301, 15303, and 15314. The proposed project was also reviewed for possible exceptions under Section 15300.2 and found that the exceptions do not apply.

See Attachment to Notice of Exemption for further explanation of the evaluation, which is available at the ABC Unified School District Office, 16700 Norwalk Blvd, Cerritos, CA 90703. Reasons why project is exempt

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Contact Person:	Area Code/Telephone/Extension:

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption findings
- 2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving Yes No the project

Date Received for Filing:

Signature:

Title: BOND PROGRAM MANAGER