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# **NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

(City CEQA Guidelines)

Submission of this form is optional. The form shall be filed with the County Clerk, 12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA 90650, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21168(d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on Court challenges to the approval of the project. Failure to file the notice results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.

LEAD CITY AGENCY AND ADDRESS:	COUNCIL DISTRICT
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP)	6 – Martinez
111 N. Hope Street, Room 1044	
Los Angeles, CA 90012	
PROJECT TITLE	LOG REFERENCE
Truesdale Warehouse Solar Carport Project	

#### PROJECT LOCATION

11781 West Truesdale Street, Sun Valley, CA 90051 (11740-11797 West Truesdale, 9430-9542 North San Fernando Road, 12000 West Wentworth Street, 11801-11813 West Sheldon Street). See attached map.

#### DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:

It is LADWP's goal to reach 1500 MW of distributed solar by 2036 as set by the Integrated Resource Plan. In addition, California State Senate passed SB100 on September 10, 2018, also known as "The 100 Percent Clean Energy Act of 2017." The bill plans for 100 percent of total retail sales of electricity in California to come from eligible renewable energy resources and zero-carbon resources by December 31, 2045. In order to achieve this mandate, SB100 sets targets of total retail sales of electricity in which renewable energy resources must account 55 percent by December 31, 2025, 60 percent by December 31, 2030, and 70 percent by December 31, 2036. With grid-connected solar projects, LADWP would be eligible for Renewable Energy Credits to count towards its Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) mandates. The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (DWP) is committed to expand its renewable resource portfolio. To meet these goals, a portion of these renewable sources are being fulfilled by installing photovoltaic module systems on existing DWP property. The Truesdale Warehouse Carport is located in the parking lot next to the Warehouse in the Truesdale Site. The scope of the Solar Carport Project is to install a solar photovoltaic (PV) system in the existing parking lot next to the Warehouse Building. The proposed solar installation is a series of carports, with columns spaced at 27'. This project will incorporate a double and single row of solar carports, and a minimum clearance height of 8'6". Footings of the carport system are 2'-6" in diameter. The system will be about 192kW in capacity. This project is estimated to generate approximately 300MWh of clean, renewable energy annually.

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#### **EXEMPT STATUS:**

Categorical Exemption under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15303, Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures); Statutory Exemption under CEQA Guidelines Section 21080.35.

#### JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:

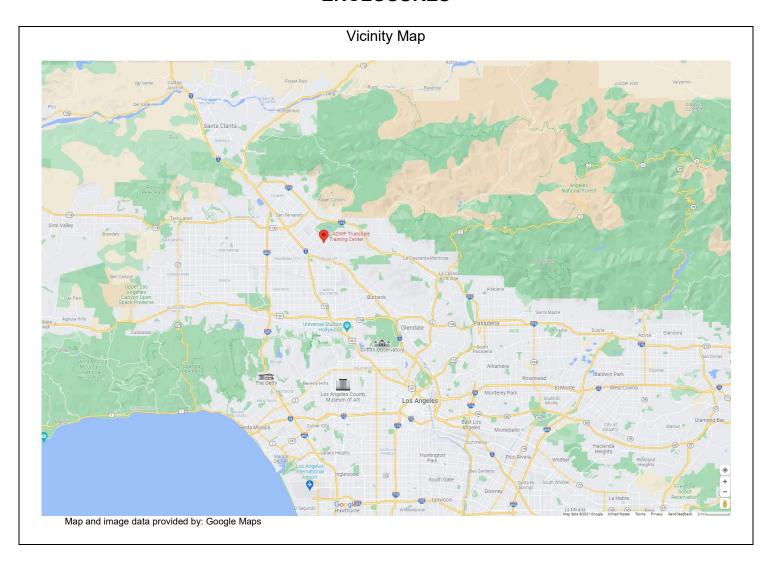
In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, the installation of solar PV systems at an existing facility/parking lot is categorically exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15303, Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), and statutorily exempt pursuant to Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 21080.35. Section 15301, 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 the existing or former use. Section 15303, Class 3 consists of 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 existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. PRC Section 21080.35 applies in cases where a solar energy project is proposed to be installed at an existing parking lot which has been designated and used for parking vehicles for at least the previous two years and does not involve removal of a required or native tree over 25 years old, and associated solar equipment meets certain size, location, and other conditions. The proposal to install solar carport PV infrastructure meets the requirements of the exemption; therefore, no further CEQA review is required.

IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT OF EXEMPTION FINDING					
SIGNATURE		for	TITLE: Manager of Environmental Planning and Assessment	DATE 10/28/2021	
Charles C. Holloway					
FEE: \$75.00	RECEIPT NO.		REC'D BY	DATE	

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## **ENCLOSURES**



# Truesdale Warehouse Solar Carport Site



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## LEGEND:

Proposed Solar Carports



Double Cantilever

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Single Cantilever

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