

Notice of Exemption

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From:
The Trustees of The California State University
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Project Title: PG&E Electrical Conduit Improvement Project

Project Applicant: California State University, Monterey Bay (CSUMB)

Project Location - Specific: CSUMB East Campus/Fredericks Park II Housing area along Petersburg Court and Spotsylvania Court. Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 031-101-031 and 031-101-032

Project Location – City: N/A, unincorporated Monterey County

Project Location County: Monterey

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed project requires replacing a single transformer and running new wire through existing conduit along Petersburg Court and Spotsylvania Court in the Fredericks Park II area of East Campus Housing. The replacement of the transformer component would involve installation of a new transformer and retention of the existing concrete foundation. Work would require driving vehicles over a curb to three panel locations no farther than 100 feet and may require a crane and/or other heavy equipment close to the site of work. There would be very limited new ground disturbance in the immediate vicinity of the panel locations, which have already undergone initial excavation under a prior permit, and excavated material would be backfilled into the hole.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: The Trustees of The California State University

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: CSUMB

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: Sections 15301(b), 15302(c) 15304(c), (e), and (f)
- Statutory Exemptions.** State code number:
- Common Sense Exemption** (Sec. 15063(b)(3))

Reasons why the project is exempt:

The project consists of electrical conduit wiring and replacement of a single transformer for the purposes of public utility maintenance and operation. Work would occur in areas of previous ground disturbance, is limited in scope, and would not require extensive site preparation.

- Section 15301(b): Existing facilities of both investor and publicly owned utilities used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewerage, or other public utility services.
- Section 15302(c): Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.
- Section 15304(c), (e), and (f): Minor Alterations to Land including filling of earth into previously excavated land with material compatible with the natural features of the site; minor temporary use of land having negligible or no permanent effects on the environment; minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored.
- Under CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3), Review for Exemption (14 CCR Sec. 15061(b)(3)), activities are exempt from, and otherwise not subject to, CEQA under the "common sense" exemption 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 proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances; would not result in damage to scenic resources within a Scenic Highway; is not located on a hazardous waste site pursuant to Sec. 65962.5 of the Government Code; would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource; and would not result in cumulative impacts.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Julie Wyrick, CSUMB Director of Campus Planning and Development

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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:

Signature:


Julie Nyrick (Dec 13, 2022 11:15 PST)

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Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Public Resources Code Section 21083 and 21110, Public Resources code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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