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PROJECT NO. 22-017 – ORANGE GROVE AND VICINITY WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

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Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)

Notice of Exemption (NOE)

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research (OPR) P.O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk County of Los Angeles. 12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA 90650

FROM:

Lead Agency: City of Whittier-Public Works Department Address: 13230 Penn Street Whittier, CA 90602 Contact Person: Kimberly Badescu **Civil Engineering Associate** Phone Number: 562-567-9500

Project Title: PROJECT NO. 22-017 - ORANGE GROVE AND VICINITY WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Project Location-Specific:

Along the right-of-way of Orange Grove Avenue between Pioneer Blvd & Norwalk Blvd. Additional sections of replacement include Adele Ave between Lorene Ave & Beverly Blvd; Carley Ave between Lorene Ave & Beverly Blvd; Lorene Ave between Adele Ave & Carley Ave; Mavis Ave between Orange Grove Ave & Beverly Blvd; Rockne Ave between Orange Grove Ave & Beverly Blvd; Norwalk Blvd between Hunter Ave & Workman Mill/Beverly Dr; and Beverly Blvd between Rockne Ave & Norwalk Blvd. (Latitude 34.997398, Longitude -118.060714).

Project Location-City: Whittier

Project Location-County: Los Angeles

Project Description: This project consists of removal and replacement of existing pavement and replacement of the water main and appurtenant work. The disturbed project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare, or threatened species. The locations described are not designated scenic highways adjacent to the project site. The project site is not listed on Geotracker as having an active clean-up site assessment pursuant to lists identified under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. The project site does not impact historical resources.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Whittier, Public Works Department

Name of Person/Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Whittier, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, CA 90602

Exempt Status: (Check one)

 ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268) ⊠ Categorical Exemption (15301,) 	 Declared Emergency (See Emergency Project (See Emergency Project (See Declared Emergency Project (See Declared Emergency (See De
Categorical Exemption (15301,)	

ec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)) c. 21080(b)(4):15269 (b)(c)

15302(c), & 15304(f)

Statutory Exemption ()

Other:

Reasons why project is exempt: The proposed project was reviewed for potential exemptions and was found to satisfy the standards of Class 1, Class 2 and Class 4 as specified within Article 19 Categorical Exemptions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. A Class 1 exemption 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. Class 2 consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, including but not limited to: (c) Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity. Class 4 consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes. Examples include, but are not limited to: (f) Minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored.

The City has found that the proposal consists of water improvements and street reconstruction where there will be no expansion of the water facilities. No mature trees will be removed as part of the project.

The application meets the standards for Section 15301, Section 15302(c) and 15304(f) in that the construction will replace an existing water main and will involve minimal to no land alteration in an area that is already developed and the soil is disturbed. The project sites are located in the City's Right-of-Way. None of the project sites are environmentally sensitive, and they will not result in significant effects to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality with the construction of the new facilities. No significant adverse effects were identified during the evaluation process.

Therefore, the City of Whittier has determined that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and a Notice of Exemption will be filed pursuant to Section 15062 of the CEQA Guidelines.

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Director of Community Development Title

Signature

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