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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: County of Los Angeles
County Clerk
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From: County of Los Angeles
Department of Parks and Recreation
Planning & CEQA Section
1000 South Fremont Avenue Unit #40
A-9 West, Third Floor
Alhambra, California 91803

Project Title: Loma Alta Trail - Shady Lane

Project Location - Specific: 600 West Loma Alta Drive
Littlerock, CA 93543

Project Location - City: Altadena

Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project will provide an approximately 525 linear feet meandering multi-use (equestrian, hiking and mountain biking) connector trail to the Altadena Crest Trail within the Loma Alta Staging Area from the existing equestrian horse arena south of the project site. The project includes various trail amenities, such as interpretive signage, lodgepole fencing, trail access point bollards, retaining wall (as needed), removal of a few existing trees in poor health, planting of new trees with a new irrigation drip system, trimming of all other mature existing trees for appropriate equestrian height, removal of existing chain link fencing with barbed wire, installation of chain link fencing north of the trail, and installation of large boulders to aesthetically define and protect trail users from vehicle incursion along the frontage of Loma Alta Drive.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Los Angeles County

Name of Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Los Angeles County

Exempt Status (check one):

Article 19. Categorical Exemptions

- Categorical Section 15303
Class 3 (c)(d)(e)
- Categorical Section 15304
Class 4 (a)(b)
- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption
Class 3 (a)(b)(k)
- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption
Class 4 (a)(c)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is consistent with State Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA. The development of a multi-use connector trail and various trail amenities is consistent with Section 15303 Class 3 which provides

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for construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures. This includes but is not limited to Class 3 (c) for an office structure not exceeding 2,500 square feet in floor area, (d) for new utility extensions and (e) for new accessory structures.

The development of a multi-use connector trail and various trail amenities is consistent with Section 15304 Class 4 which provides for minor alteration to land. This includes but is not limited to Class 4 (a) for grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent, and (b) for new gardening or landscaping.

The project is also consistent with the County CEQA Guidelines. The development of a multi-use connector trail and various trail amenities is consistent with Class 3 which provides for construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures. This includes but is not limited to Class 3 (a) for utility extensions, (b) for accessory structures and (k) for an office designed for an occupant load of 30 persons or less.

The development of a multi-use connector trail and various trail amenities is consistent with Class 4 which provides for minor alterations to land. This includes but is not limited to Class 4 (a) for grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent, and (c) for new gardening or landscaping.

The proposed use of Classes 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions does not include activities that are excepted from the exemptions as defined in Section 15300.2 (a) of the CEQA Guidelines. Specifically, the specified activities do not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern designated, precisely mapped, or officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.

The County has considered the cumulative impact of the proposed activities and determined that the cumulative impact of the specified activities will not result in significant impacts on the environment that would constitute an exception to Classes 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (b) of the CEQA Guidelines.

The County has considered the potential for significant impacts on the environment resulting from the specified activities and determined that there are no unusual circumstances that would result in significant effects on the environment constituting an exception to Classes 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (c) of the CEQA Guidelines.

The specified activities will not result in damage to scenic resources, such as trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings or similar resources or involve work within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway that would constitute an exception to Classes 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (d) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084 (c) of the CEQA Statutes.

The specified activities do not involve work on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code relating to solid and hazardous wastes and do not constitute an exception to Classes 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in the Section 15300.2 (e) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084 (d) of the CEQA statutes.

The specified activities would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as specified in section 21084.1 of the CEQA Statutes and do not constitute an exception to Classes 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (f) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084.1 of the CEQA Statutes.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Julie Yom, AICP **(Area Code) Telephone/Ext.** (626) 588-5311

If Filed by Applicant:

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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, Julie Yom, AICP

3/24/2022

Date

Park Planner

Title