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CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

(Article III, Section 3, City CEQA Guidelines)

FORM RP 1-1-91

Submission of this form is optional. This form shall be filed with the County Clerk, 12400 East Imperial Highway, Norwalk, California 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 limitation on Court challenges to the approval of the project. Failure to file this notice with the County Clerk results in the statute of limitation being extended to 180 days.

LEAD CITY AGENCY AND ADDRESS: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks,
221 N. Figueroa Street, Suite 400, Los Angeles, CA 90012

COUNCIL DISTRICT:
12

PROJECT TITLE: CHATSWORTH PARK, SOUTH - Roofing Improvements

LOG REFERENCE:
PRJ21808, BR 25-211

PROJECT LOCATION: 22360 Devonshire St, Chatsworth, CA, 91311

DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:

The proposed Project consists of the replacement of the existing roof and Heat, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC) system.
Beneficiaries of the project are the patrons of the park.

CONTACT PERSON:
ELENA MAGGIONI

AREA CODE
213

TELEPHONE NUMBER:
482-6980

EXT.

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)

- ☐ DECLARED EMERGENCY
☐ EMERGENCY PROJECT
☐ MINISTERIAL PROJECT
☒ CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION
☐ GENERAL EXEMPTION
☐ STATUTORY EXEMPTION

CITY CEQA GUIDELINES

Art. II, Sec. 2a(1)
Art. II, Sec. 2(a)(2)(3)
Art. II, Sec. 2b
Art. II, Sec. 2(c) See Below
Art. II, Sec. 2(d)
Art. II, Sec. 2(i)

STATE CEQA GUIDELINES

ART. 18, Sec. 15269(a)
ART. 18, Sec. 15269(b)(c)
ART. 18, Sec. 15268
ART. 19, Sec. 15300 -15333
ART. 18, Sec. 15262
ART. 18, Sec. 15282

Class

2

Category

6

(City CEQA Guidelines)

Art. III, Sec(s). 1(b)
Art. III, Sec(s). 1(b)(6)
Art. III, Sec(s).
Art. III, Sec(s).
Art. III, Sec(s).

(State CEQA Guidelines)

Art. 19, Sec(s). 15302
Art. 19, Sec(s).
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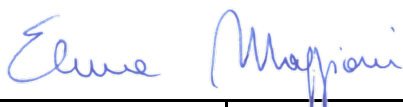
☐ OTHER (See Public Resources Code Sect. 21080(b) and set forth in state & city guidelines provisions)

JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:

The proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302 of California CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article III, Section 1, Class 2 and Class 2(6) of City CEQA Guidelines. None of the limitations set forth in State CEQA Guidelines 15300.2 apply, see attached narrative.

IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT OF EXEMPTION FINDING

SIGNATURE:
ELENA MAGGIONI
Environmental Supervisor



DATE:
12/18/2025

FEE \$75.00

RECEIPT NO.

REC'D. BY:

DATE:

CHATSWORTH PARK, SOUTH - Roofing Improvements

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION NARRATIVE

I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

On November 7, 2024, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) approved the following scope of work for the replacement of roof of the recreation center building (Report No. 24-225). RAP staff has determined that additional funding is required to complete the additional scope of work for the replacement of the HVAC system of the recreation center building.

The project is located at 22360 Devonshire St, Chatsworth, CA, 91311, in the Chatsworth - Porter Ranch Community Planning Area (Fig.1).

II. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Basis for Categorical Exemption

The updated Project involves replacement of existing structures where the new structures will be located on the same site as the structures replaced and have substantially the same purpose and capacity.

Based on this description, the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Article 19, Section 15302 of California CEQA Guidelines as well as to Article III, Section 1, Class 2 and Class 2(6) of City CEQA Guidelines.

Consideration of Potential Exceptions to Use of a Categorical Exemption

The State CEQA Guidelines (CCR Sec 15300.2) limit the use of categorical exemptions in the following circumstances:

1. Location. Exemption Classes 3, 4, 5, 6, and 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located – a project that is ordinarily insignificant in its impact on the environment may be significant in a particularly sensitive environment. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply to all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.

The proposed project falls under Class 2, therefore, this exception has no application here.

2. Cumulative Impact. This exception applies when, although a particular project may not have a significant impact, the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant.

The proposed project consists of repairs to an existing recreation center. No other known projects would involve cumulatively significant impacts, and no future projects would result from the proposed project. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

3. Significant Effect. This exception applies when, although the project may otherwise be exempt, there is a reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant effect due to unusual circumstances.

RAP is not aware of any unusual circumstances associated with this project. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

4. Scenic Highway. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project that may result

in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway.

The proposed project is not within sight of any state designated scenic highway, nor of any other historic and scenic resource. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

5. Hazardous Waste Site. This exception applies when a project is located on a site listed as a hazardous waste site under Government Code Section 65962.5.

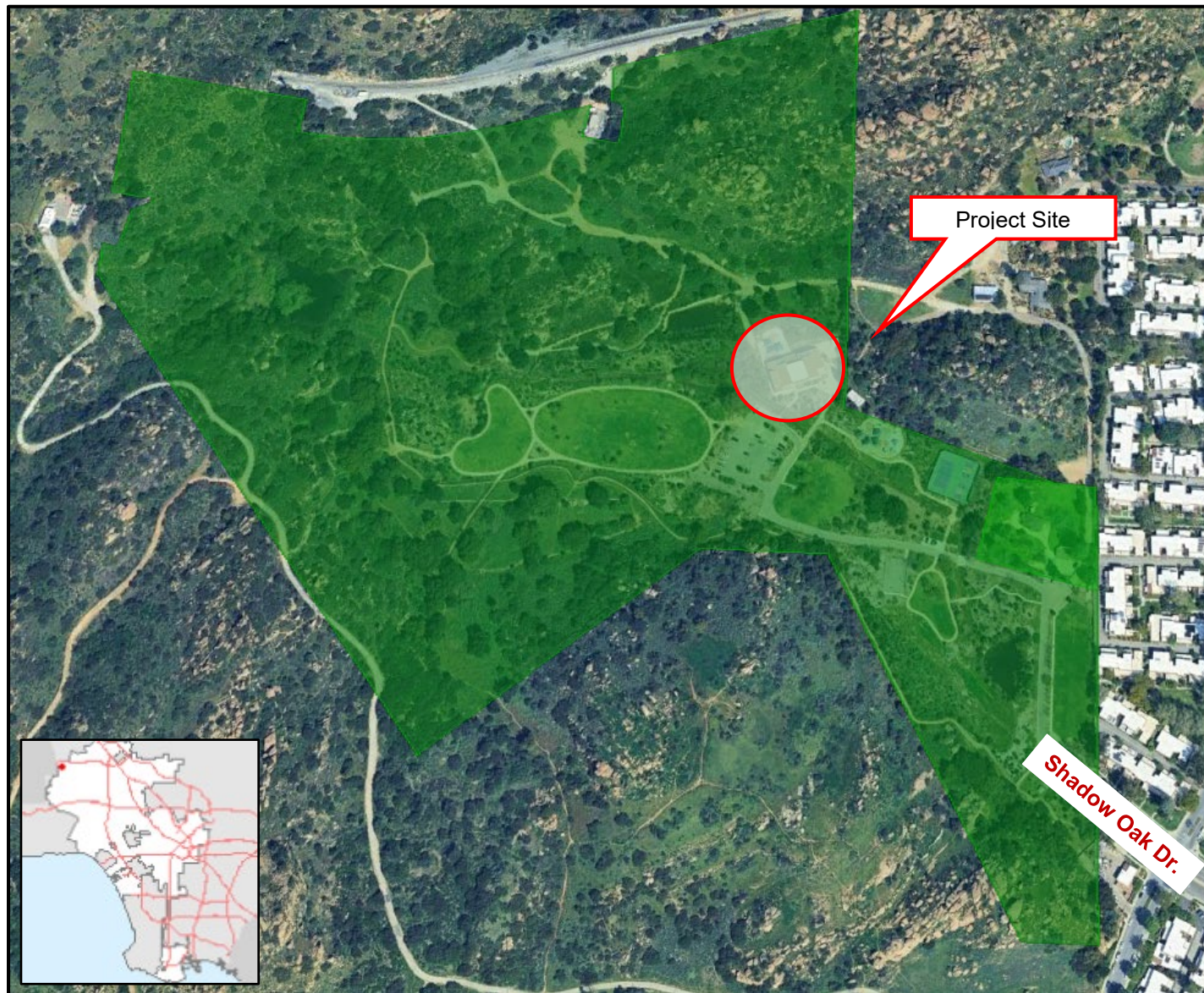
As of November 12, 2025, the State Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) (Envirostor at www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov) and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) (Geotracker at <https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>) have listed the Project site or as voluntary cleanup N. 60000893. Chatsworth Park South used to be a clay-pigeons shooting range. When the shooting range was closed the site remained contaminated by clay rubble and lead pellets. The Department of Recreation and Parks entered in a voluntary cleanup agreement with the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), proceeded to characterize the extension of the contamination and implemented a Remedial Action Plan (RAP). The plan consisted of capping the contamination with clean soil, removal of contaminant from scrub brush areas and preservation of heritage trees. The Recreation Center is included in the RAP area and was protected in place while the site was remediated. The proposed project does not include any excavation, racking, drilling or earth movement, so the proposed Project will not affect the remediated area. Therefore, this exception has no application here.

6. Historical Resources. This exception applies when a project may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

The proposed Project is located in proximity of Minnie Hill Palmer House, a City of Los Angeles Historic Cultural Monument (HCM #133), listed on the National Register of Historic Places with # 79000480. The roof and HVAC replacement at the Community Center will have no effect on the historical significance of this historic resource. No excavation is required for the proposed Project and this office does not anticipate the disruption of archaeological or paleontological resources.

Therefore, this exception has no application here.

Figure 1. Project Location



List of References

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- City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Bureau of Engineering. *NavigateLA*. Retrieved on November 12, 2025 from <http://boemaps.eng.ci.la.ca.us/navigateLA/>
- City of Los Angeles Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.
- Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5
- Los Angeles Municipal Code.
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