

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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County Clerk

County of: Kings

1400 W. Lacey Blvd.

Hanford, CA 93230

From: (Public Agency): Reef-Sunset Unified School District
205 North Park Avenue
Avenal, CA 93204

(Address)

Project Title: Kettleman City Elementary School New Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten, and Kindergarten Classrooms Project

Project Applicant: Reef-Sunset Unified School District

Project Location - Specific:

Kettleman City Elementary School, 701 General Petroleum, Kettleman City, CA 93239

Project Location - City: Kettleman City Project Location - County: Kings

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Reef-Sunset Unified School District proposes to construct two new preschool, two new transitional kindergarten, and one new kindergarten classroom at the Kettleman City Elementary School. The beneficiaries include current and future students at the school.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Reef-Sunset Unified School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Reef-Sunset Unified School District

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: Section 15314
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:


Based on the number of proposed new classrooms (fewer than 10) and that the new facilities would not increase enrollment by greater than 25%, a CEQA Categorical Exemption (Cat-Ex) would be applicable to the Proposed Project. Section 15314 of the CEQA Guidelines states that a Class 14 exemption from CEQA consists of minor additions to existing schools within existing school grounds where the addition does not increase original student capacity by more than 25 percent or 10 classrooms (whichever is less). As the new classrooms would be located on the southeast side of the school near the existing kindergarten classroom facilities requiring only the removal of one existing portable, no exceptions listed under Section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines to the exemption would apply.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Raul Luna Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (559) 386-9083

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:  Date: 7/9/2024 Title: CBO

▪ Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 2024: 13

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED DISTRICT MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS IN CONNECTION WITH NEW PRESCHOOL, TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN, AND KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS PROJECT AT KETTLEMAN CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LOCATED AT 701 GENERAL PETROLEUM, KETTLEMAN CITY, CA 93239

WHEREAS, the Reef-Sunset Unified District (“District”) is constructing five new classrooms to serve preschool, transitional kindergarten, and kindergarten on the existing site of the Kettleman City Elementary School located at 701 General Petroleum, Kettleman City, CA 93239 (“Project”);

WHEREAS, the District’s consultant, Terraphase has prepared a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analysis report for the project indicating that the project qualifies for a Class 14 Categorical Exemptions, under CEQA Section 15314;

WHEREAS, the State CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 provides conditions under which categorical exemptions are inapplicable and the CEQA report prepared by Terraphase reviewed the project and indicated that the project will not violate any of the conditions;

WHEREAS, the project would not increase the student capacity by more than 25%, nor would the project implement more than 10 classrooms;

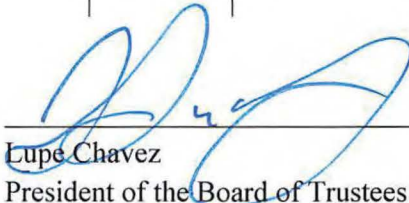
WHEREAS, the project would not result in cumulative development, would have no unusual circumstances, would not damage scenic resources, is not located on a hazardous site, and would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historic resource.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Trustees of the Reef-Sunset Unified District hereby finds, determines, declares, orders, and resolves as follows:

- (1) All of the recitals set forth above are true and adopted as a part of the District’s official record;
- (2) The Board of Trustees of the Reef-Sunset Unified District (“Board”) has reviewed the Project and finds that pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15314, the Project qualifies as a Class 14 Categorical Exemption and no further analysis is required;
- (3) The Board approves the filing and recordation of a CEQA Notice of Exemption;
- (4) This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage; and
- (5) the District’s Superintendent or their designee is authorized to take such actions and execute such agreements and documentation necessary to affect the intent of this Resolution;

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Reef-Sunset Unified School District on this 20th day of June 2024, by the following vote:

Board of Trustees:	Ayes:	Nays:	Abstentions:	Absences:
President Chavez:	✓			
Trustee Barrera-Lopez:	✓			
Trustee Rizo:	✓			



 Lupe Chavez
 President of the Board of Trustees
 Reef-Sunset Unified School District

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly and regularly introduced, passed and adopted by the members of the Board of Trustees of the Reef-Sunset Unified District at a public meeting of said Board held on June 20, 2024.



 Juan Ruiz
 Secretary of the Board of Trustees
 Reef-Sunset Unified School District