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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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To:

County of Los Angeles

County Clerk

Environmental Filings

12400 Imperial Highway, Room 1201

Norwalk, California 90650

(562) 462-2122

From: County of Los Angeles

Department of Parks and Recreation

Land Management Section

1000 South Fremont Avenue Unit #40

A-9 West, Third Floor

Alhambra, California 91803

Project Title:

GGRF FY 24/25 LA County Arboretum / LA

Project Location - Specific:

Los Angeles County Arboretum

301 N Baldwin Ave, Arcadia, CA 91007

Project Location - City:

City of Arcadia

Project Location - County:

Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed projects involve vegetation management, including the removal of invasive species and hazardous vegetation near pathways and public areas, brush reduction around powerlines, and clearing overgrowth to enhance visibility and safety. Restoration efforts will include soil replacement and debris disposal in compliance with environmental regulations. Hazard mitigation measures will address active beehives, falling branch risks, and other safety concerns, while staging areas and coordinated public access will minimize disruptions to park operations. The projects aim to enhance public safety, preserve ecological integrity, and support sustainable park maintenance practices.

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 15301 Class 1 (h)(i)
- ☑ Categorical Section 15304 Class 4 (i)
- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption Class 1 (i)
- ☑ County CEQÁ Guidelines Categorical Exemption Class 4

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed project is consistent with State Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA. The project is consistent with Section 15301 Class 1 which provides for repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing



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public facilities. This includes but is not limited to Class 1 (h) for maintenance of existing landscaping and native growth, and 1(i) for maintenance of wildlife habitat areas.

The project is also consistent with Section 15304 Class 4 which provides for minor alteration to land. This includes but is not limited to Class 4 (i) for fuel management activities.

The project is consistent with the County CEQA Guidelines. The project is consistent with Class 1 which provides for repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities. This includes but is not limited to Class 1 (j) for maintenance of and minor alternations to existing landscaping and native growth.

The project is also consistent with Class 4 which provides for minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, and scenic trees.

The proposed use of Classes 1 & 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 1 & 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 1 & 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 1 & 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 1 & 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 1 & 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: Jui Ing Chien (Area Code) Telephone/Ext. (626) 588-5317

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

Chisn, Qui Ing 12/31/24 Park Planner
Signature, Jui Ing Chien Date Title

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BUSINESS FILINGS REGISTRATION

NORWALK DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTER

Cashier: C. MAFFITT



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