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# Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Whittier Union High School District  
9401 South Painter Avenue  
Whittier, CA 90605

County Clerk, Los Angeles  
PO Box 1208  
Norwalk, CA 90650-1208

California High School Pool Replacement Project

**Project Title**

9800 Mills Avenue

**Project Location – Specific**

Unincorporated Los Angeles County

Los Angeles

**Project Location – City**

**Project Location – County**

The Whittier Union High School District (District) proposes demolition of the existing aquatic facilities and construction of a new 35-meter-long competition-sized swimming pool, associated equipment, pool equipment and shower building, spectator seating (bleachers), landscaping, and installation of lighting poles to allow for use of the facilities after dusk.

The school's sporting facilities would continue to be available for community use following Project implementation, when not in use by the school or District, as occurs under current conditions.

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project**

Whittier Union High School District

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project**

Whittier Union High School District

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project**

**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption: Categorical Exemption: CEQA Guidelines Section 15304 (Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land), and Section 15314 (Class 14, Minor Additions to Schools)

The Class 4 exemption applies as the Project would occur on an entirely developed area of graded land with a slope of less than 10 percent that is not within a waterway, wetlands, and/or areas of severe geologic hazards. Project construction would require alterations to the Project site, involving excavation, grading, and trenching to install the proposed improvements. All disturbed surfaces would be backfilled and restored for continued use of the existing school facilities and to limit potential stormwater runoff. No scenic, mature trees would be removed. The Class 14 exemption applies as the proposed improvements would not add new classrooms, change the number of classrooms, introduce new athletic programs or sports at the school, or increase the original student capacity by more than 25 percent or classroom count by 10. School enrollment capacity would remain the same as under existing conditions. Additionally, none of the exceptions listed in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to the Project.

**Reasons why project is exempt**

Steven Rodriguez, Director of Business Operations

(562) 698-8121 Ext.1500

**Lead Agency Contact Person**

**Area Code/Telephone**

**If filed by applicant:**

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption findings
- 2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes  No

Signature:

Date: 7/16/25

Title: DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant