

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): Heather Davis, Director

Campus and Environmental Planning

255 Cousteau Pl, University of California, Davis, CA 95618

(Address)

Project Title: Janice K. Hobbs UC Davis Veterinary Medical Center of Southern California

Project Applicant: University of California, Davis

Project Location - Specific:

5040 Shoreham Pl, San Diego, CA 92122

Project Location - City: San Diego

Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project proposes to renovate the interior of an existing building located at 5040 Shoreham Pl, San Diego, CA 92122. The building is a one-story, metal-framed building that is approximately 23,000 square feet and was previously used as a law office. The renovation will create a 24 hour veterinary clinic with emergency/critical care, oncology, and surgery specialties. It is estimated that there will be 40 to 45 employees during the day shifts and 10 to 12 employees in the evening shifts. An existing UC Davis vet clinic is 4 miles away from the new Janice K. Hobbs UC Davis Veterinary Medical Center and will remain operation until the new facility opens in late 2025. The project will modify the internal footprint to deliver 17 exam rooms, three surgical suites, intensive care unit, anesthesia area, and emergency room, and a compounding pharmacy for pet medications. A specialty wing of the building will consist of cardiology, endoscopy, oncology, nephrology, and ultrasound rooms. The scope of work includes associated modifications to building systems. The project will provide minimal exterior modifications to the main arrival area, as well as accessible parking upgrades.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: University of California, Davis

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: University of California, Davis

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 15301 (Class 1- Existing Facilities)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project qualifies as categorically exempt under Exemption Class 1 of the Guidelines for the Implementation to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This exemption applies to the operation, repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities or mechanical equipment, involving negligible or no expansion of the existing use. The proposed project would provide interior renovations to an existing building, with minimal modifications to the exterior to improve the arrival area and provide accessible parking upgrades. The use would change from a law office to a veterinary clinic; however, the expansion of use of the building would be negligible as the building would remain the same size, still offer client-based services, and can be accommodated by the existing number of parking spaces. Furthermore, the vet clinic's use would be consistent with the surrounding area that is primarily commercial. In addition, none of the exceptions for application of a categorical exemption apply to this project.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Heather Davis

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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: Heather Davis Date: 8/21/2025 Title: Director

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: _____