

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:** (Public Agency): Water Emergency Transportation Agency  
Pier 9, Suite 111, The Embarcadero  
San Francisco, CA 94111

(Address)

Project Title: WETA Acquisition of Two New All-Electric 400-PAX Vessels

Project Applicant: Water Emergency Transportation Agency

Project Location - Specific:

Latitude: 37°47'39.83"N Longitude: 122°23'30.70"W

Project Location - City: San Francisco Project Location - County: San Francisco

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Water Emergency Transportation Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Water Emergency Transportation Agency

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: Class 1 - Existing Facilities, Class 2 Replacement or Reconstruction
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Seamus Murphy Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (415) 291-3377

**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: *Seamus Murphy* Date: Aug 20, 2025 Title: Executive 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Notice of Exemption – Attachment A**

### **Project Title: WETA Acquisition of Two New All-Electric 400-PAX Vessels**

### **Project Applicant: Water Emergency Transportation Authority**

#### **Part 1. Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

This project will design and construct two 400-passenger, battery-electric ferry vessels that will be part of SF Bay Ferry's new all-electric zero-emission fleet. The new vessels are a component of SF Bay Ferry's Rapid Electric Emission-Free (REEF) Program, which is a key commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions through clean technology and complying with SF Bay Ferry's Alternative Control of Emissions (ACE) Plan and the State's California Air Resources Board (CARB) regulations. The new vessels will replace diesel powered vessels and be capable of providing the same fast, convenient, and reliable transbay service between San Francisco and East Bay communities including Oakland and Alameda.

#### **Part 2. Reasons why project is exempt:**

The project is consistent with a Class 1 Categorical Exception (CEQA Guideline § 15301) because it modifies the ongoing operation of previously approved diesel ferry vessels with battery electric propelled vessels. The project involves negligible or no expansion of existing use. The project is consistent with a Class 2 Categorical Exemption (15302) because it will replace previously approved diesel ferry vessels with battery electric propelled, zero emission vessels. The new zero emission ferry vessels will replace existing diesel vessels in service between Downtown San Francisco, Alameda, and Oakland ferry terminals. The project will not involve cumulative impacts and will have no reasonable possibility of a significant effect due to unusual circumstances.







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