NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: ☐ Office of Planning and Research (OPR)
P.O. Box 3044,
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

☒ County Clerk
County of Los Angeles,
12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA 90650

FROM:
Lead Agency: City of Whittier-Public Works Department
Address: 13230 Penn Street
Whittier, CA 90602
Contact Person: Mohammadreza Bayat
Senior Engineering Technician
Phone Number: 562-567-9513

Project Title: PROJECT NO. 23-011 – HELI HYDRANT PROJECT

Project Location-Specific:
Savage Canyon Landfill in the City of Whittier, Los Angeles County, California. (Latitude 33.977164, Longitude -118.021243 to Latitude 33.983263, Longitude -118.016573).

Project Location-City: Whittier **Project Location-County:** Los Angeles

Project Description: The work to be performed consists of construction of a water main, other utilities, and small structures. The disturbed project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare, or threatened species. The locations described are not designated scenic highways adjacent to the project site. The project site is not listed on Geotracker as having an active clean-up site assessment pursuant to lists identified under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. The project site does not impact historical resources.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Whittier, Public Works Department

Name of Person/Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Whittier, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, CA 90602

Exempt Status: ***(Check one)***

☐ Ministerial *(Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)*
☒ Categorical Exemption 15303(d)
☐ Statutory Exemption ( )
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
☐ Other: _____

Reasons why project is exempt: The proposed project was reviewed for potential exemptions and was found to satisfy the standards of Class 3 as specified within Article 19 Categorical Exemptions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. A Class 3 exemption consists of construction of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures, installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. The numbers of structures described in this section are the maximum allowable on any legal parcel. Examples of this exemption include, but are not limited to: (d) water main, sewage, electrical, gas, and other utility extensions, including street improvements, of reasonable length to serve such construction.

The City has found that the proposal consists of the installation of a water main, other utilities, and small structures. No mature trees will be removed as part of the project.

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ON August 27 2025
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The application meets the standards for Section 15303(d) in that the construction will include a water main, other utilities, and a small structure, and will involve minimal to no land alteration in an area that was previously developed and permitted as a landfill. The project site is located in the City's Right-of-Way. None of the project sites are environmentally sensitive, and they will not result in significant effects to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality with the construction of the new facilities. No significant adverse effects were identified during the evaluation process.

Therefore, the City of Whittier has determined that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and a Notice of Exemption will be filed pursuant to Section 15062 of the CEQA Guidelines.

Ben Pongetti
City Contact Person

(562) 567-9320
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Director of Community Development
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☑ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	$4,123.50	$ 0.00
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☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	$1,401.75	$ 0.00
☑ Exempt from fee		
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☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)		
☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	$850.00	$ 0.00
☑ County documentary handling fee		$ 75.00
☐ Other		$ 0.00

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☑ Credit ☐ Check ☐ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED $ 75.00

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