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Project Title: Baseline Project Budget and Spending Authorization
Harbor Scenic Drive Roadway and Infrastructure Improvements
Specification HD-S3171, HA-1525

State Clearinghouse No.:

Project Location – Specific: Long Beach Harbor District

Project Location – City: Long Beach **Project Location – County:** Los Angeles County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The Board of Harbor Commissioners' approval for a Baseline Project Budget of $100,100,000 and Spending Authorization in the amount of $4,040,000 to complete design for the Harbor Scenic Drive Roadway and Infrastructure Improvements Project. Constructed activity associated with the Project would be performed by the Port under Harbor Development Permit #24-066(1).

Exempt Status:

- ☐ Ministerial Exemption [Section 21080(b)(1); 15268];
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project [Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)]
- ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Section 15303 (Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) and Section 15301 (Class 1, Existing Facilities)
- ☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number:
- ☐ Common Sense Exemption (Section 15061(b)(3))
- ☐ Other:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Section 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (Class 3): The Class 3 Categorical Exemption consists of construction and location 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 project involves various improvements including changeable message signs and highway lighting.

Section 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1): The Class 1 Categorical Exemption consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The project involves various improvements to an existing roadway involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

The Port has determined that none of the exceptions to the exemptions in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15300.2 foreclose the use of the categorical exemption CEQA Guideline Section 15303 (Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) and Section 15301 (Class 1, Existing Facilities). Therefore, the Project is exempt from CEQA and no further environmental review is required.

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☐ 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.