



CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
Notice of Exemption

To: [X] Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
From: Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation and
Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553
[X] County Clerk, County of Contra Costa

Project Title: Ygnacio Valley Library Upgrades, WH430A, CP# 25-27
Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Dept., 255 Glacier Drive, Martinez CA 94553,
(925) 313-2000, Contact: Alex Nattkemper, (925) 313-2364,
alex.nattkemper@pw.cccounty.us
Project Location: 2661 Oak Grove Rd, Walnut Creek, CA 94598; APN: 142-222-031
Lead Agency: Department of Conservation and Development, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553
Contact Person: Syd Sotoodeh (925) 655-2877 syd.sotoodeh@dcd.cccounty.us

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project consists of several upgrades to the Ygnacio Valley Library, including the roof, electrical system, and the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system. The existing roof will be reinforced with a new moisture barrier to maintain the life of the roof. Minor repairs for drainage and soffit replacement will be performed for small sections damaged by moisture exposure. The electrical system upgrade will install a new switchboard which will allow for lighting upgrades and future electrical services, such as electric vehicle charging stations. The existing gas-powered HVAC system will be demolished and replaced with an all-electric system. The new system will be housed on a concrete pad at the rear of the library. There will be no expansion of the building and no structural impact changes. The library is anticipated to be closed for at least 8 months to accommodate the project. In addition, the front parking lot is anticipated to be used as a staging area and will be closed during the entire construction duration. Real estate transactions and utility relocations may be necessary. Tree trimming may be necessary to accommodate the project. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2026, will take place during normal business hours, and will take approximately 8 months to complete.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Contra Costa County

Exempt Status:

- [ ] Ministerial Project (Sec. 21080[b][1]; 15268) [X] Categorical Exemption (Sec. 15301[a], 15301[d])
[ ] Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080[b][3]; 15269[a]) [ ] General Rule of Applicability (Sec. 15061[b][3])
[ ] Emergency Project (Sec. 21080[b][4]; 15269[b][c]) [ ] Other Statutory Exemption (Sec. )

Reasons why project is exempt: The activity/project consists of minor alterations to an existing public structure, including interior and exterior alterations such as electrical conveyances, as well as repairing the roof, involving no expansion of existing or former use, pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

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: Syd Sotoodeh Title: Senior Planner Date: August 11, 2025

Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

- [X] Signed by Lead Agency [ ] Signed by Applicant

2025-00253

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September 11, 2025

KRISTIN B. CONNELLY
CLERK-RECORDER

By M. Neal

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Deputy Clerk

**AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING**

I declare that on 9/11/25 I received and posted this notice as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152(c). Said notice will remain posted for 30 days from the filing date.

M Neal  
Signature

Deputy Clerk  
Title

**Applicant**

Public Works Department  
255 Glacier Drive  
Martinez, CA 94553  
Attn: Alex Nattkemper *AN*  
Environmental Services Division  
Phone: (925) 313-2364

**Department of Fish and Wildlife Fees Due**

- De Minimis Finding - \$0
- County Clerk - \$50
- Conservation and Development - \$25

Total Due: \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt #: \_\_\_\_\_