CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Notice of Exemption

To: ☐ Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95814

☒ County Clerk, County of Contra Costa

From: Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation and Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

Project Title: Jay Court Tree Permit Appeal, County File #CDTP24-00064

Project Applicant: ArborTech Tree Care Inc., P.O. Box 3188, Hayward, CA, 94540, (510) 881-8733

Project Location: 19 Jay Court, Alamo, CA, 94507 (APN: 193-670-016)

Lead Agency: Department of Conservation and Development, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553

Contact Person: Nai Saephan, (925) 655-2874, nai.saephan@dcd.cccounty.us

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

A hearing to consider an appeal of the County Planning Commission's approval of a tree permit to remove three code-protected oak trees to allow for the construction of a residential ground-mounted solar energy system at 19 Jay Court in the Alamo area, and to consider approving the tree permit and related actions.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

Exempt Status:

☐ Ministerial Project (Sec. 21080[b][1]; 15268)
☒ Categorical Exemption (Sec. 15303(e)
☐ 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 project is exempt under CEQA Guidelines, Section 15303(e), regarding new construction of an accessory structure. The project involves the installation of a residential ground-mounted solar/PV system and a 6-foot-tall wooden fence surrounding the PV system which are accessory to the primary residential use of the property. None of the exceptions in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 apply.

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: Nai Saephan Title: Planner I Date: 10/22/2025

Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

I declare that on _____ 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.

_____ _____
Signature Title

Applicant

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Department of Fish and Wildlife Fees Due

☐ De Minimis Finding - $0
☒ County Clerk - $50
☒ Conservation and Development - $25
Total Due: _____ Receipt #: _____