



State of California
The Natural Resources Agency
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

PROJECT TITLE	Green Futures: Enhancing Community Well-Being Through Green Schoolyard Initiatives		
PROJECT LOCATION	City of Lynwood	COUNTY	Los Angeles
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

SLA Inc will work with Lynwood Unified School District to implement green schoolyards on eight schools. Planting 164 #15 trees and 835 #5 shrubs, 1,000 square feet of concrete/asphalt removal, natural play areas, outdoor classrooms, stormwater capture systems, permeable pathways, irrigation systems, and a nature-based learning curriculum will be completed.

EXEMPTION STATUS

- ☒ Categorical Exemption Type/Section: Class 4, §15304 Minor Alterations to Land
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (state code section):
- ☐ Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

This project meets the requirements of Class 4 Categorical Exemption (Minor Alterations to Land) Section 15304. Project implementation will result in alterations to the land that are best described as minor in scope. It has been concluded that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. The Department has concluded that no significant adverse environmental impacts will occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forest resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, populations and housing, public services, recreation, transportation and traffic, utilities and service systems, or wildfire risk. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at CAL FIRE's Headquarters in Sacramento.

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