December 19, 2025

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk Recorder
County of Santa Clara

From: Santa Clara County
Central Fire Protection
District
1315 Dell Avenue
Campbell, CA 95008

Project Title: Sycamore Hub

Project Applicant: Santa Clara County Central Fire Protection District

Project Location- Specific: 13575 and 13636 Sycamore Avenue, San Martin, CA 95046

Project Location- City: Unincorporated Santa Clara County, CA
Project Location- County: Santa Clara

Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The Project is the purchase, minor alterations, and operation of two existing commercial buildings at 13575 and 13635 Sycamore Avenue, San Martin, in unincorporated Santa Clara County to serve as a logistics hub and fleet maintenance facility for the Santa Clara County Central Fire Protection District ("Fire District"). The Project will allow the Fire District to receive, stage, and ship materials and supplies to support the fire stations in the former territory of the South Santa Clara County Fire District ("South County Fire District"). On April 2, 2025, the Local Agency Formation Commission of Santa Clara County (LAFCO) adopted Resolution No. 2025-1, approving the dissolution of the South County Fire District and the concurrent annexation of its territory ("District Reorganization") effective July 1, 2025. The Project will also allow the Fire District to maintain and repair fire apparatus and light duty fleet vehicles that serve the area.

The Project site and buildings were previously used as a recreational vehicle dealership and recreational vehicle service center. The Project site and buildings will continue to be used for vehicle maintenance and repairs and for storage of supplies (e.g., hose, nozzles, small tools, and radios). The Project site is centrally located in the District's Zone 4 service area and will provide support services from Monday through Friday during normal business hours. The Project does not include a new fire station.

The Project involves minor interior renovations to facilitate the installation of emergency communications radio receivers and speakers, and fiber-optic cabling for data systems. The Project also involves minor exterior improvements, including updated signage on existing monuments and new gates and fencing to limit public access. Finally, the Project will eventually include interior renovations to upgrade and build out indoor warehouse racking and storage; to repair and update existing vehicle service bays, bathrooms, and break areas; and to add a conveyance system for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Santa Clara County Central Fire Protection District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Santa Clara County Central Fire Protection District.

Exempt Status
Categorical Exemptions: CEQA Guidelines § 15301 – Existing Facilities (Class 1)

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:
The Project meets the requirements of the Class 1 Categorical Exemption (existing public or private facilities, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301), which expressly exempts "the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, 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 Fire District will use existing structures and facilities at the Project site with no expansion of the former use or—at most—a negligible expansion of the former use. As detailed above, the Project site and facilities will be used for vehicle service and maintenance and for storage of supplies and equipment—consistent with the former use of the Project site and facilities. The Project does not include any structural changes to existing buildings. The Project involves only minor interior repairs and renovations and minor modifications to the exterior of the Project site.

There will not be public access to the Project site, resulting in a decrease in traffic compared to the prior use. The days, hours of operation, and assigned staff will also be reduced compared to the prior use of the Project site.

There is no reasonable possibility that the Project will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances that would preclude the use of a categorical exemption for this Project, and Project implementation will not damage scenic resources. The Project will not impact an officially mapped and designated environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern.

Lead Agency
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Notice of Exemption has been filed by the Santa Clara County Central Fire Protection District with the Clerk Recorder, County of Santa Clara.

David Snow	December 19, 2025	Director of Support Services
Signature	Date	Title