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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**To:** County of Los Angeles  
County Clerk  
Environmental Filings  
12400 Imperial Highway, Room 1201  
Norwalk, California 90650  
(562) 462-2122

**From:** County of Los Angeles  
Department of Parks and Recreation  
Land Management Section  
1000 South Fremont Avenue Unit #40  
A-9 West, Third Floor  
Alhambra, California 91803

**Project Title:** El Cariso Regional Park Sport Courts Remodeling Project

**Project Location - Specific:** 13100 Hubbard Street  
Sylmar, CA 91342

**Project Location - City:** City of Los Angeles

**Project Location - County:** Los Angeles

### Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

El Cariso Community Regional Park (Park), located in Sylmar at 13100 Hubbard St., is an 80-acre park that provides several amenities including picnic areas, play areas, fitness zones, sport courts such as tennis, pickleball, basketball, handball courts, multiple sports fields, community swimming pools, a gymnasium, and a community center. While located in an area with a moderate park need, El Cariso Regional Park also serves neighboring communities experiencing high to very high park need in the San Fernando Valley Study Area established by the 2022 Park Needs Assessment Plus (PNA+), including the Cities of San Fernando and Mission Hills.

Hundreds of thousands of visitors annually attend the numerous events and programs held at the park. The Park's hard-surface sport courts are in constant use, and with growing popularity in outdoor sports, improvements are needed to meet the increased demand. Additionally, there is a clear and outspoken desire for more standalone sports courts as voiced by a majority of community members at LA County Park's September 2024 community meetings. Community members overwhelmingly asked for more courts to play sports such as pickleball. In response to the community's requests, the proposed Project will expand existing sport courts facilities to accommodate more players and help reduce crowding and wait times, all without reducing other park amenities, and ensuring that the Park continues to serve the diverse needs of its visitors. Direct community input at a second community meeting held in May 2025 helped determine design preferences that were later shared on-site at the park.

The proposed Project will remodel the existing sport courts by replacing the windscreens; installing additional seating and viewing areas; expanding the courts to accommodate four additional pickleball courts; updating the adjacent landscape areas; remodeling walkways to improve accessibility to the courts; and making refurbishments to related amenities. The community's requested sport courts would increase access for users without reducing any other court amenities such as tennis or pickleball and all of the work would be carried out within the existing parameters of the Park.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Los Angeles County

**Name of Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Los Angeles County

**Exempt Status (check one):**

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### Article 19. Categorical Exemptions

- Categorical Section 15301  
Class 1 (c)(h)
- Categorical Section 15303  
Class 3 (e)
- Categorical Section 15304  
Class 4 (a)(b)
  
- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption  
Class 1 (f)(j)
- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption  
Class 3 (b)
- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption  
Class 4 (a)(c)

### Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is consistent with State Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA. The project is consistent with Section 15301 Class 1 which provides for repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities. This includes but is not limited to Class 1(c) for existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities; and Class 1(h) for maintenance of existing landscaping, native growth, and water supply reservoirs.

The project is also consistent with Section 15303 Class 3 which provides for construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures. This includes but is not limited to Class 3(e) for new accessory structures.

The project is consistent with Section 15304 Class 4 which provides for minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature and scenic trees. This includes but is not limited to Class 4 (a) for grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent; and Class 4 (b) for new gardening or landscaping.

The project is also consistent with the County CEQA Guidelines. The project is consistent with Class 1 which provides for repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities. This includes but is not limited to Class 1 (f) for existing bicycle, pedestrian and equestrian trails within already established rights-of-way, and Class 1(j) for maintenance of and minor alterations to existing landscaping and native growth.

The project is consistent with Class 3 which provides for construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures. This includes but is not limited to Class 3 (b) for accessory structures.

The project is consistent with Class 4 which provides for minor public alterations in the condition of land, water and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of mature scenic trees. This includes but is not limited to Class 4 (a) for grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent and Class 4 (c) for new gardening or landscaping.

The proposed use of Classes 1, 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions does not include activities that are excepted from the exemptions as defined in Section 15300.2 (a) of the CEQA Guidelines. Specifically, the specified activities do not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern designated, precisely mapped, or officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.

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The County has considered the cumulative impact of the proposed activities and determined that the cumulative impact of the specified activities will not result in significant impacts on the environment that would constitute an exception to Classes 1, 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (b) of the CEQA Guidelines.

The County has considered the potential for significant impacts on the environment resulting from the specified activities and determined that there are no unusual circumstances that would result in significant effects on the environment constituting an exception to Classes 1, 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (c) of the CEQA Guidelines.

The specified activities will not result in damage to scenic resources, such as trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings or similar resources or involve work within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway that would constitute an exception to Classes 1, 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (d) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084 (c) of the CEQA Statutes.

The specified activities do not involve work on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code relating to solid and hazardous wastes and do not constitute an exception to Classes 1, 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (e) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084 (d) of the CEQA statutes.

The specified activities would not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as specified in section 21084.1 of the CEQA Statutes and do not constitute an exception to Classes 1, 3 & 4 Categorical Exemptions as described in Section 15300.2 (f) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084.1 of the CEQA Statutes.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Jui Ing Chien (Area Code) Telephone/Ext. (626) 588-5317

**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

Chien, Jui Ing  
Signature, Jui Ing Chien

12/29/2025  
Date

Park Planner  
Title



**2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE  
CASH RECEIPT**

DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT Number: 19 — 12/30/2025 — 202512300500003
STATE CLEARING HOUSE # (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 12/30/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING LOS ANGELES	DOCUMENT NUMBER 2025287210	

PROJECT TITLE  
EL CARISO REGIONAL PARK SPORT COURTS REMODELING PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME JULING CHIEN	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 1000 SOUTH FREMONT AVE UNIT #40	CITY ALHAMBRA	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 91803

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box):

- Local Public Agency    
  School District    
  Other Special District    
  State Agency    
  Private Entity

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

- |   |            |    |              |
|---|------------|----|--------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)  | \$4,123.50 | \$ | <u>0.00</u>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)   | \$2,968.75 | \$ | <u>0.00</u>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW         | \$1,401.75 | \$ | <u>0.00</u>  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee   |            |    |              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)  |            |    |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)  |            |    |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)                   |            |    |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) | \$850.00   | \$ | <u>0.00</u>  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee   |            | \$ | <u>75.00</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other  |            | \$ | <u>0.00</u>  |

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

- Cash    
  Credit    
  Check    
  Other

**TOTAL RECEIVED** \$ 75.00

SIGNATURE <b>X</b> <i>Savannah Rodriguez</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE SAVANNAH RODRIGUEZ, ITC
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BUSINESS FILINGS REGISTRATION

NORWALK DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTER

Cashier: S. RODRIGUEZ



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Tuesday, December 30, 2025 9:30 AM

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<u>Fee</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Total</u>
NoE - County Posting Fee 2025287210	1	\$75.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$75.00</b>

Total Documents: 1

Customer payment(s):

Billing \$75.00