

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: Orange
12 Civic Center Plaza, Room 101
Santa Ana, CA 92701

From: (Public Agency): City of Rancho Santa Margarita
22112 El Paseo

Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

(Address)

Project Title: FY 25-26 Annual Concrete Repair

Project Applicant: City of Rancho Santa Margarita

Project Location - Specific:

Various Locations throughout the City of Rancho Santa Margarita

Project Location - City: Rancho Santa Margarita Project Location - County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project will remove and replace existing sidewalk throughout the City of Rancho Santa Margarita to replace damaged sidewalk and bring sidewalks to current disabled access regulations.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Rancho Santa Margarita

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Rancho Santa Margarita

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15301 - Class 1
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Project is designed to replace existing sidewalks where the sidewalks replaced will be located on the same location and will have the same purpose and capacity as the existing sidewalks. This project will not expand any existing highway, street, or sidewalk. This project consists of repair, maintenance and minor alteration of existing sidewalk involving negligible or no expansion of the existing use.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Wilson Leung Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (949) 635-1800

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:  Date: 02/13/2026 Title: Principal Engineer

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____