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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: County of Los Angeles
County Clerk
Environmental Filings
12400 Imperial Highway, Room 1201
Norwalk, California 90650

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: Schabarum Skyline Trail Restoration Project

Project Location - Specific: The project corridor extends generally east–west between Fairway Lane and E. Via Verde St, north of E. Garvey Avenue and south of E. Ranch Creek Road.

Project Location - City: West Covina; Covina; Unincorporated Los Angeles County (Walnut Islands community)

Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project consists of vegetation management and fuel reduction activities along the Schabarum Skyline Trail to reduce wildfire risk and enhance public safety. The project includes demolition of an existing brick wall and installation of a gate to provide controlled trail access. Lodgepole posts will be installed near the entry swing gate at N. Forest Hills Drive and a lodgepole fence will be installed near the scenic area adjacent to E. Covina Hills Drive to guide visitors and discourage off-trail use. The project also includes erosion control and drainage improvements, as well as litter abatement along the trail corridor.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Los Angeles County

Name of Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Los Angeles County

Exempt Status (check one):

Article 19. Categorical Exemptions

- Categorical Section 15301
Class 1 (d)(h)(l)
- Categorical Section 15303
Class 3 (e)
- Categorical Section 15304
Class 4 (i)

- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption
Class 1 (c)(h)(j)
- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption
Class 3(b)
- County CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemption
Class 4

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Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed 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(d) the restoration and rehabilitation of deteriorated drainage features and related improvements to meet current public health and safety standards; Class 1(h) for maintenance of existing landscaping; and Class 1(l) for demolition and removal of small structures.

The project is also consistent with Section 15303, Class 3, which provides for the 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 alterations to land. This includes, but is not limited to, Class 4(i) for fuel management activities. The project will not involve the removal of healthy, mature and scenic trees and will occur within previously disturbed trail areas.

The project is also consistent with the County CEQA Guidelines. The project is consistent with Class 1, which provides repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities. This includes, but is not limited to, Class 1(c) for the restoration and rehabilitation of deteriorated drainage features and related improvements to meet current public health and safety standards; Class 1(h) for demolition and removal of small structures; and Class 1(j) for maintenance of existing landscaping.

The project is consistent with Class 3, which provides for the 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 alterations to land. The project will not involve the removal of healthy, mature and scenic trees and will occur within previously disturbed trail areas.

The proposed use of Classes 1, 3 and 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 project would 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.

The County has considered the cumulative impact of the proposed project and determined that the cumulative impact would not result in significant effects on the environment that would constitute an exception to the use of Classes 1, 3 and 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 project and determined that there are no unusual circumstances that would result in significant effects on the environment, constituting an exception to the use of Classes 1, 3 and 4 Categorical Exemptions, as described in Section 15300.2(c) of the CEQA Guidelines.

The project 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 the use of Classes 1, 3 and 4 Categorical Exemptions, as described in Section 15300.2(d) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084(c) of the CEQA Statutes.

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The project does 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 does not constitute an exception to the use of Classes 1, 3 and 4 Categorical Exemptions, as described in Section 15300.2(e) of the CEQA Guidelines and Section 21084(d) of the CEQA Statutes.

The project 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 does not constitute an exception to the use of Classes 1, 3 and 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

02/20/2026
Date

Park Planner
Title



2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

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

RECEIPT Number:	19	02/20/2026	202602200480004
STATE CLEARING HOUSE # (If applicable)			

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT AND PARKS RECREATION	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 02/20/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING LOS ANGELES	DOCUMENT NUMBER 2026040256	
PROJECT TITLE SCHABARUM SKYLINE TRAIL RESTORATION PROJECT		
PROJECT APPLICANT NAME JUI ING CHIEN	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (626)588-5317
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) | \$4,227.50 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) | \$3,043.75 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW | \$1,437.25 | \$ | 0.00 |
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| <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) | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) | \$850.00 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee | | \$ | 25.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | | \$ | 0.00 |

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 25.00

SIGNATURE X <i>Savannah Rodriguez</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE SAVANNAH RODRIGUEZ, <i>ITC</i>
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12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA
(800)201-8999

BUSINESS FILINGS REGISTRATION

NORWALK DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTER

Cashier: S. RODRIGUEZ



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COUNTY OF LA - PARKS & RECREATION...

Item(s)

<u>Fee</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Total</u>
NoE - County Posting Fee 2026040256	1	\$25.00
Total		\$25.00

Total Documents: 1

Customer payment(s):

Billing \$25.00