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24264 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.
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Exemption Code 6103



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: County of Orange Orange County Clerk-Recorder P.O. Box 238 Santa Ana, CA 92701	From: City of Laguna Woods 24264 El Toro Road Laguna Woods, CA 92637 (949) 639-0500
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Project Title: Wildlife Feeding Regulations

Project Applicant: City of Laguna Woods
24264 El Toro Road
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Project Location – Specific: Citywide

Project Location – City: Laguna Woods, California **Project Location – County:** Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: On March 18, 2026, the Laguna Woods City Council adopted Ordinance No. 26-02 titled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 5.20.070 OF THE LAGUNA WOODS MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE PROHIBITION OF FEEDING OR TAKING ANY OTHER ACTION WHICH IS REASONABLY LIKELY TO PROVIDE SUSTENANCE FOR COYOTES, RODENTS, VERMIN, OR OTHER WILDLIFE, AND DETERMINING AND CERTIFYING THAT THE ORDINANCE IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

The ordinance amends Section 5.20.070 of Chapter 5.20 of Title 5 (Animals) of the Laguna Woods Municipal Code pertaining to wildlife feeding regulations. The ordinance modifies existing regulations that prohibit the feeding of certain wildlife. The ordinance more broadly prohibits feeding or taking any other action which is reasonably likely to provide sustenance for coyotes, rodents, vermin, or other wildlife. The purpose and intent of the ordinance is to control the presence of coyotes and other wildlife predators in urbanized settings by discouraging practices that are reasonably likely to provide sustenance for those predators, whether directly or indirectly by supporting the presence of rodents, vermin, and other wildlife that may serve as prey therefore. By controlling the presence of coyotes and other wildlife predators in urbanized settings, the City

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seeks to promote public health, safety, and welfare and deter dangerous encounters between wildlife and humans and their pets.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Laguna Woods

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Laguna Woods

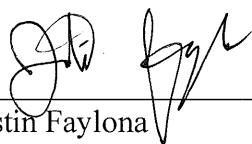
Exempt Status:

	Categorical Exemptions
	Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
	Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
	Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)
	Statutory Exemption (Sec. 15273)
X	Not Subject to CEQA See below for additional information

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, Public Resources Code Section 21000, et. seq., as amended and implementing State CEQA Guidelines, Title 14, Chapter 3 of the California Code of Regulations (collectively “CEQA”) pursuant to sections 15060(c)(2) (the activities will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activities are not a project as defined in section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3. CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(2) excludes “[c]ontinuing administrative. . . activities, such as . . . general policy and procedure making” and Section 15378(b)(5) excludes “[o]rganizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment” from its definition of “project.”

Even if the ordinance were subject to CEQA, it would be exempt based on CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency Contact Person:

Signature:  Date: 3/25/2026
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City of Laguna Woods

Date Received for Filing at OPR: _____

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