

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): Alex Tremblay, Environmental Planner
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(Address)

Project Title: Chemistry District Site Improvements

Project Applicant: University of California, Davis

Project Location - Specific:

141 Physical Sciences Mall

Project Location - City: Davis Project Location - County: Yolo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

UC Davis will modify approximately 1.5 acres of landscaping, bike paths and sidewalks adjacent to the Chemistry Building and the Physical and Data Sciences Building. The project will demolish the existing bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, and remove existing trees and landscaping. The project will replace these elements with new bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure. The project also paves an asphalt vehicular path for fire truck access to the Chemistry District. Campus standard light poles will be installed along the restored pathways. Bicycle parking will also be added centrally to the area. Construction includes new paving, concrete and asphalt, pathway striping, and installation of lights.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: University of California, Davis

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: University of California, Davis

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: Class 1 (15301), Class 2 (15302)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

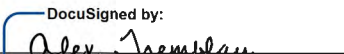
This project qualifies as categorically exempt under Exemption Class 1 and Class 2 of the Guidelines for the Implementation to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Class 1 exemption applies to the operation, repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities or mechanical equipment, involving negligible or no expansion of the existing use. On a separate and independent basis, the Class 2 exemption applies to the replacement of existing facilities if located at the same location and having the same function as the previous facility. In addition, none of the exceptions for application of a categorical exemption apply to this project.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Heather Davis Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-752-6043

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: 4/15/2026 Title: Environmental Planner

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: _____