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200 NORTH SPRING STREET, ROOM 395  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012  
**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**  
**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**  
(PRC Section 21152; CEQA Guidelines Section 15062)

Pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21152(b) and CEQA Guidelines § 15062, the notice should be posted with the County Clerk by mailing the form and posting fee payment to the following address: Los Angeles County Clerk/Recorder, Environmental Notices, P.O. Box 1208, Norwalk, CA 90650. Pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21167 (d), the posting of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on court challenges to reliance on an exemption for the project. Failure to file this notice as provided above, results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.

PARENT CASE NUMBER(S) / REQUESTED ENTITLEMENTS  
ZA-2025-648-CU1-HCA / CLASS 1 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

LEAD CITY AGENCY <b>City of Los Angeles (Department of City Planning)</b>	CASE NUMBER ENV-2025-649-CE
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PROJECT TITLE 4494 & 4494 ½ East Verdemour Avenue	COUNCIL DISTRICT CD 14 - Jurado
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PROJECT LOCATION (Street Address and Cross Streets and/or Attached Map) 4494 & 4494 East Verdemour Avenue, Los Angeles, 90032	<input type="checkbox"/> Map attached.
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project includes construction, use, and maintenance of a new 1,008 square-foot single-family dwelling, 324 square-foot attached garage, and 426 square-foot attached Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) on an unimproved 5,006 square-foot lot fronting on a Substandard Hillside Limited Street (Verdemour Avenue) that does not have a minimum 20-foot wide Continuous Paved Roadway from the driveway apron to the boundary of the Hillside Area, as required by LAMC Section 12.21 C.10(i)(3), in the [QJR1-1D-HCR Zone.	<input type="checkbox"/> Additional page(s) attached.
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NAME OF APPLICANT / OWNER:  
**Mauricio Arevalo, Mathews Capital Group, LLC**

CONTACT PERSON (If different from Applicant/Owner above) <b>Gregory Van Grunsven, Vanray</b>	(AREA CODE) TELEPHONE NUMBER <b>(213) 304-9011</b>	EXT.
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EXEMPT STATUS: (Check all boxes, and include all exemptions, that apply and provide relevant citations.)

STATE CEQA STATUTE & GUIDELINES

STATUTORY EXEMPTION(S)  
Public Resources Code Section(s) \_\_\_\_\_

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION(S) (State CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15301-15333 / Class 1-Class 3)  
CEQA Guideline Section(s) / Class(es) CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 / Class 3

OTHER BASIS FOR EXEMPTION (E.g., CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) or (b)(4) or Section 15378(b)  
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**JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:**

Additional page(s) attached

The project is exempt because it involves the construction of a new single-family dwelling and Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU). None of the exceptions to the Categorical Exemption Under CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies to the proposed project. (a) Location: Although the project is located within a hillside area and within a 300-foot habitat buffer, as analyzed in the ZIMAS and Biologist Statement dated April 29, 2025, the subject site does not contain an officially mapped environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern. (b) Cumulative Impact: Per ZIMAS, the LADBS Haul Route Status Table, there are no concurrent approved or pending projects or haul routes within the same place of the project site. The proposed Project will not result in significant cumulative impacts from successive projects of the same type in the same place. (c) Significant Effect: The project will not have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. Most adjacent lots are developed with single-family dwellings, and the subject site is of similar size and slope to nearby properties. The project site is located in a typical urbanized area of the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan, and the project would be consistent with the designated zoning and would adhere to all requirements of the LAMC, with the approval of the Adjustments. The project is not unusual for the vicinity of the site and is similar in scope to other existing residential uses in the area. Furthermore, there is not a reasonable possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. The project site is located in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone and will comply with the specific requirements for landscaping and brush clearance. (d) Scenic Highways: The project is not in the vicinity of a state scenic highway and will not damage scenic resources in a state scenic highway. (e) Hazardous Waste Sites: The project site is not on a list compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 related to hazardous waste sites. (f) Historical Resources: Per ZIMAS, SurveyLA, and/or Historic Places LA, the project site is not identified or eligible as a historical resource. The project will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

None of the exceptions in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 to the categorical exemption(s) apply to the Project; no unusual circumstance is found.

IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT STATING THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS FOUND THE PROJECT TO BE EXEMPT.

If different from the applicant, the identity of the person undertaking the project.

**CITY STAFF USE ONLY:**

CITY STAFF NAME AND SIGNATURE

MONIQUE ACOSTA

*Monique Acosta*

STAFF TITLE

CITY PLANNER

ENTITLEMENTS APPROVED

CLASS 1 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

DISTRIBUTION: County Clerk, Agency Record **Rev. 9-17-2025**