

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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

From: (Public Agency): City of Ferndale
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(Address)

Project Title: Ferndale Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project

Project Applicant: City of Ferndale

Project Location - Specific:

606 Port Kenyon Road, Ferndale CA 95536

Project Location - City: Ferndale Project Location - County: Humboldt

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project will increase available storage in the WWTP pond, provide safer access to the pond for maintenance, and limit the amount of inorganic human refuse that is currently outputting into the pond through contracted septic dumps. The project will also reduce the chance of potential overflows of sewage into the nearby creek.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: State Water Resources Control Board

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Ferndale

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: Sec. 15301 - Existing Facilities, and Sec 15302 - Replacement
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Project meets the criteria for the above-listed categorical exemptions as the Project constitutes the repair and maintenance of existing public facilities or minor alteration of topographical features with no expansion of use.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Kristene Hall Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707-786-4224

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: Kristene Hall Date: 6/1/2026 Title: City Manager

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: _____