



Department of
Cannabis Control
CALIFORNIA

NOTICE of EXEMPTION from CEQA
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS CONTROL

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Project Title: NOROKO INC (Project)

Project Location: The Project is located at 19 SAN JUAN RD ROYAL OAKS, CA 95076 (APN: 117-362-001-000) in MONTEREY COUNTY.

County: MONTEREY

Project Description: The Department of Cannabis Control, pursuant to authority granted under Business and Professions Code, Section 26012, approved a Retailer commercial cannabis license submitted on 3/20/2026, by NOROKO INC.

Project Activities: The Project will consist of a 3,345sqft cannabis retail facility that will take place within an existing 5,353sqft facility previously occupied by a different cannabis retail project. Water is provided for the project by Pajaro Sunny Mesa Community Services District and energy is serviced by PG&E.

Exemption Status: (check one)

- ☐ Ministerial [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(1); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14 (CCR), § 15268]
- ☐ Declared Emergency [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(3); CCR, §15269(a)]
- ☐ Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); CCR, § 15269(b)(c)]
- ☒ Categorical Exemption: [Class 1 Categorical Exemption, CCR §15301]
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions: [State code section number]
- ☐ General Rule [CCR, § 15061(b)(3)]

Reasons Why Project is Exempt:

The Department of Cannabis Control has determined that the project is a Class 1 Categorical Exemption project. Class 1 Categorical Exemptions consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alterations to existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. None of the exceptions to this exemption defined in Section 15300.2 apply.

This is to certify that the final environmental document, comments and responses, and the record of project approval are available to the public at the following location:

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