

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Lake

255 N. Forbes Street (2nd Floor)

Lakeport, California 95453

From: (Public Agency): City of Clearlake
14050 Olympic Drive
Clearlake, California 95422

(Address)

Project Title: Conditional Use Permit CUP 2026-05

Project Applicant: City of Clearlake

Project Location - Specific:

13885 Lakeshore Drive

Project Location - City: Clearlake

Project Location - County: Lake

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The applicant, owner and operator of Clear Lake Cottages and Marina, is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the rental of watercraft to the public from the existing lodging and marina property. According to the application materials, the property has operated as a lodging facility since the current ownership acquired the site in November 2016. Watercraft rentals have been offered to lodging guests since 2017, and the applicant is seeking authorization to expand watercraft rentals to individuals who are not registered lodging guests.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Clearlake

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Clearlake

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: Section 15301 Class 1 Existing Facilities
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

After review of the application, agency comments, existing operations, and the project's location within an urbanized area, staff determined that the project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities. This exemption is appropriate as the project involves the leasing of an existing private structure involving negligible or no expansion of existing use.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Michael Taylor

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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: 6/23/2026 Title: Associate 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: _____