

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: Sonoma

From: (Public Agency): Sonoma Resource Conservation District
1221 Farmers Lane, Suite F
Santa Rosa, CA 95405

(Address)

Project Title: McDowell Elementary School Landscape Project

Project Applicant: Daily Acts Organization, 201 1st St #100, Petaluma, CA 94952

Project Location - Specific:

421 S McDowell Blvd

Project Location - City: Petaluma Project Location - County: Sonoma

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Project includes irrigation, rain garden, 5,000 rain tank install, and native landscaping at a public school.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sonoma Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Daily Acts Organization

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: 15303(e), 15304(b), (f)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

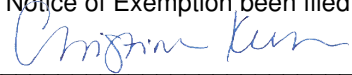
The rainwater project is exempt under the category 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, Example (e) because the rainwater tanks are accessory structures to existing facilities. The landscaping and irrigation are exempt under 15304 Minor Alterations to Land, Example (b) because the landscaping is replacing existing conventional landscaping with water efficient landscaping and Example (f) because there will be minor trenching for irrigation improvements for the new landscaping.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Fatima Burhan Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707-569-1448 x113

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: 06/04/2026 Title: Executive Director

☒ 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: _____