Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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

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From: (Public Agency): Heather Davis, Director
Campus and Environmental Planning
255 Cousteau Place, University of California, Davis, CA 95616
(Address)

Project Title: Davis Campus Priority Tree Removals 2026

Project Applicant: University of California, Davis

Project Location - Specific:

One Shields Avenue; various locations on the UC Davis Main Campus, including unincorporated Solano County

Project Location - City: Davis Project Location - County: Yolo, Solano

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Davis Campus proposes to remove approximately 90 trees on Campus. All 90 trees have been identified by a certified arborist as life safety threats due do tree death and structural decay. The trees will be removed by UC Davis Grounds and the Arboretum Public Garden staff. This project is required maintenance of Campus public spaces and will address life safety issues.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: University of California, Davis

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: University of California, Davis

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: Class 1: Maintenance; Existing Facilities
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project qualifies as categorically exempt under Exemption Class 1 of the Guidelines for the Implementation to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This exemption applies to the operation, repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities or mechanical equipment, involving negligible or no expansion of the existing use. In addition, none of the exceptions for application of a categorical exemption apply to this project.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Heather Davis Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-752-6043

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: DocuSigned by: Heather Davis FEA91F417D334CC... Date: 7/9/2026 Title: Director of Campus & Environmental Planning

☒ 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: _____