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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING		DOCUMENT NUMBER	
LOS ANGELES		2026141914	
PROJECT TITLE			
GAREY HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM IMPROVEMENTS - NEW HVAC SYSTEM AND BLEACHERS AND FLOORING REPLACEMENT PROJECT			
PROJECT APPLICANT NAME		PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
ISELA VAZQUEZ		ISELA.VAZQUEZ@PUSD.ORG	(909)397-4800
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS		CITY	STATE
321 WEST LEXINGTON AVENUE		POMONA	CA
			ZIP CODE
			91766
PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box):			
☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity			

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,227.50	\$ 0.00
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$3,043.75	\$ 0.00
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,437.25	\$ 0.00
☒ Exempt from fee		
☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)		
☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)		
☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)		
☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$ 0.00
☒ County documentary handling fee		\$ 25.00
☐ Other		\$ 0.00

PAYMENT METHOD:☐ Cash ☒ Credit ☐ Check ☐ Other**TOTAL RECEIVED** \$ 25.00

SIGNATURE

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AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

BYRON PATTON JR, INTERMEDIATE CLERK



POMONA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Capital Facilities
800 South Garey Avenue, Pomona CA 91766
Phone: (714) 628-4500 Fax: (714) 628-4200



CEQA: California Environmental Quality Act

Don C. Logan, Registrar - Recorder/County Clerk

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: ☒ Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

From (Lead
Agency):

Pomona Unified School District
800 South Garey Avenue
Pomona, CA 91766

☒ County Clerk
County of Los Angeles
12400 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

Applicant: Pomona Unified School District
800 South Garey Avenue
Pomona, CA 91766

Garey High School Gymnasium Improvements – New HVAC System and Bleachers and Flooring
Replacement Project
Project Title

Garey High School: 321 West Lexington Avenue, Pomona, California 91766
Project Location - Specific

Pomona
Project Location – City

Los Angeles
Project Location – County

The Pomona Unified School District ("District") proposes to undertake gymnasium improvement projects at Garey High School located at 321 West Lexington Avenue, Pomona, California 91766. The project encompasses three distinct scopes of work: (1) the installation of a new, energy-efficient Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system, including associated ductwork, controls, and ancillary mechanical components; the gymnasium has not previously been served by a mechanical HVAC system; (2) the replacement of existing bleachers with new bleachers of substantially the same purpose and seating capacity within the same facility; and (3) the replacement of existing gymnasium flooring. No new building footprint, change of use, or expansion of use is proposed. All work will be conducted within or upon the existing developed school site. The purpose of the project is to provide a safe, functional, and code-compliant facility that supports the health, well-being, and academic performance of students and staff. Beneficiaries of the project include District students, faculty, staff, and community members who utilize the gymnasium for physical education, athletics, and school events.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project

Pomona Unified School District
Name of Public Agency Approving Project

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED

ON June 29 2026

Pomona Unified School District
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project

UNTIL July 29 2026

Pomona Unified School District – Capital Facilities Department

REGISTRAR – RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

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Exempt Status: (check one below)

☐ Ministerial☐ Declared Emergency☐ Emergency Project☒ Categorical Exemption: Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities; Class 2 Section 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

The proposed project qualifies for Categorical Exemptions under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1 – Existing Facilities) and Section 15302 (Class 2 – Replacement or Reconstruction), as set forth below.

Class 1 – Existing Facilities (CEQA Guidelines §15301). Section 15301 exempts the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Two components of this project qualify under Class 1: (a) the installation of a new, energy-efficient HVAC system including associated ductwork, controls, and ancillary mechanical components within and adjacent to the existing Garey High School gymnasium, which has not previously been served by a mechanical HVAC system; and (b) the replacement of existing gymnasium flooring, constituting a minor alteration to an existing facility. The Garey High School gymnasium is a fully operational public educational facility in active use for physical education, athletics, and school events. Neither scope of work alters the type, intensity, or scope of that use. No expansion of building footprint, floor area, gym occupant capacity, or use is proposed. All work will occur within or upon the existing developed school site.

Class 2 – Replacement or Reconstruction (CEQA Guidelines §15302). Section 15302 exempts the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. One component of this project qualifies under Class 2: the replacement of the existing gymnasium bleachers with new bleachers of substantially the same seating purpose and capacity, installed within the same facility. The bleacher replacement does not expand occupant capacity, change the use of the gymnasium, or alter the building footprint. The project therefore qualifies for a Class 2 exemption with respect to the bleacher scope of work.

Exceptions to Categorical Exemption (CEQA Guidelines §15300.2). None of the exceptions set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to this project. The project site is an existing developed school campus and is not located in or near a sensitive environment, scenic highway corridor, or hazardous waste site. The project does not involve the removal of a Landmark, and will not result in cumulative impacts when considered in connection with other projects. No unusual circumstances exist that would give rise to a reasonable possibility of a significant environmental effect. Accordingly, the project is properly exempt from CEQA review.

Reasons why project is exempt

Isela Vazquez, Chief Facilities Officer

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Contact Person:

Area Code/Telephone/Extension:

Email:

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption findings

2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project ☒ Yes ☐ No

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Date
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Signature:

Title: Chief Facilities Officer



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ATTACHMENT A TO NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

GAREY HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM IMPROVEMENTS – HVAC, BLEACHERS, AND FLOORING NOTICE OF EXEMPTION - SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

To: County Clerk
County of Los Angeles
12400 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

From: Pomona Unified School District
800 South Garey Avenue
Pomona, CA 91766

Project Location:

321 West Lexington Avenue, Pomona, California 91766

Cross-Streets:

West Lexington Avenue and Hamilton Boulevard

Categorical Exemption. State type and Class number (detail):



Class 1 Section 15301 Existing Facilities; Class 2 Section 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction

Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of 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.

Two components of the Proposed Project qualify under Class 1: (a) the installation of a new, energy-efficient Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system, including associated ductwork, controls, and ancillary mechanical components within and adjacent to the existing Garey High School gymnasium, which has not previously been served by a mechanical HVAC system; and (b) the replacement of existing gymnasium flooring, constituting a minor alteration to an existing facility. The Garey High School gymnasium is an existing, fully operational public educational facility in active use for physical education, athletics, and school events. All proposed activities will occur within the existing campus. Neither scope of work alters the type, intensity, or scope of use of the gymnasium. No expansion of building footprint, floor area, occupant capacity, or use is proposed. The Project meets the requirements of State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301.

Class 2 Section 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction:

Class 2 consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, including but not limited to: (b) Replacement or reconstruction of existing commercial, industrial, or institutional structures where the new structure will be located on the same site and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

One component of the Proposed Project qualifies under Class 2: the replacement of the existing gymnasium floor and bleachers with new bleachers of substantially the same seating purpose and capacity, installed within the same facility at the same location. The bleacher replacement does not expand occupant capacity, change the use of the gymnasium, or alter the building footprint. All work will occur entirely within the boundaries of the existing campus. The Project meets the requirements of State CEQA Guidelines Section 15302.

Reasons why the project is exempt:

The Proposed Project qualifies for Categorical Exemptions under CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1 – Existing Facilities) and Section 15302 (Class 2 – Replacement or Reconstruction) as described above. The Project involves the installation of a new HVAC system, replacement of existing bleachers, and replacement of existing gymnasium flooring at the existing Garey High School gymnasium, with no expansion of building footprint, no change of use, and no increase in student enrollment.

None of the exceptions set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply to this Project. The project site is an existing developed school campus and is not located in or near a sensitive environment, scenic highway corridor, or hazardous waste site. The Project does not involve the removal of a Landmark, and will not result in cumulative impacts when considered in connection with other projects. No unusual circumstances exist that would give rise to a reasonable possibility of a significant environmental effect. Accordingly, the Project is properly exempt from CEQA review.

Conclusion:

Based on the foregoing, the Pomona Unified School District, as Lead Agency, has determined that the Proposed Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Class 1 – Existing Facilities) and 15302 (Class 2 – Replacement or Reconstruction), and that none of the exceptions set forth in Section 15300.2 apply. This Notice of Exemption and Attachment A are hereby filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the California Office of Planning and Research in accordance with Public Resources Code Section 21152 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15075.

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