

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Project Title: Electrical Rubber-Tired Gantry (eRTG) Crane Runway Construction & Installation of Electrical Infrastructure
State Clearinghouse No: Enter Number
Project Location – Specific: 1521 Pier J Avenue East; Harbor Planning District 8 – (Southeast Harbor)
Project Location – City: Long Beach, California **Project Location – County:** Los Angeles County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: Extension of four existing concrete runways, approximately 5-feet wide and 910-feet long, on Pier J South and construction of four new runways, each 6-feet wide and 1,540-feet long, on Pier J North to accommodate the arrival of four new electrified rubber-tired gantries (eRTG). The project also involves installation and connection of eRTG electrical infrastructure from the runways to existing substations within the terminal.

Exempt Status:

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| ☐ Ministerial Exemption [Section 21080(b)(1); 15268]; | ☐ Common Sense Exemption (Section 15061(b)(3)) |
| ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)); | ☐ Other: |
| ☐ Emergency Project [Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)] | |
| ☒ Categorical Exemption Section 15301 (Class 1. Existing Facilities), Section 15303 (Class 3. New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), and Section 15304 (Class 4. Minor Alterations to Land). | |
| ☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number: | |

Reasons why project is exempt:

Section 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1): The Class 1 Categorical Exemption consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, 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. The project involves extending four existing concrete runways and constructing four new runways on an existing terminal involving installation and connection of eRTG electrical infrastructure from the runways to existing substations with negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

Section 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (Class 3): The Class 3 Categorical Exemption consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. The project involves new construction of four eRTG crane runways, each 6-feet wide and 1,540-feet long, and new installation of eRTG electrical infrastructure.

Section 15304 Minor Alterations to Land (Class 4): The Class 4 Categorical Exemption consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes and backfilling where the surface is restored. The project involves trenching to install and connect eRTG electrical conduit from the runways to existing substations and backfill where the surface will be restored.

The Port has determined that none of the exceptions to the exemptions in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15300.2 foreclose the use of Categorical Exemption CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1. Existing Facilities), 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (Class 3), and Section 15304 Minor Alterations of Land (Class 4); therefore, the Project is exempt from CEQA and no further environmental review is required.

Lead Agency

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☒ 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.