

## Notice of Exemption

**To:** ☒ Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation  
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☒ County Clerk  
County of Placer

**From:** County of Placer  
Community Development Resource Agency  
Environmental Coordination Services  
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**Project Title:** Taco Bell Design Site Review Agreement Type D

**Project Number:** PLN26-00147

**APN:** 038-101-031-000

**Project Location:** 1717 Grass Valley Highway in unincorporated Auburn, Placer County

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The Design Site Review Agreement is for approval to update a 1,582-square-foot Taco Bell restaurant with exterior changes consisting of updated paint colors, sconces and signage. The subject property, Assessor's Parcel Number, 038-101-031-000, comprises approximately 0.55 acres, is currently zoned C2-Dc (General Commercial, combining Design Scenic Corridor), and is located at 1717 Grass Valley Highway in unincorporated Auburn. This exterior building remodel project is subject to approval of a Design Site Review Agreement.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Placer County

### Entitlement/Action Date

Design Site Review Agreement / July 16, 2026

### Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Placer County Community Development Resource Agency

### 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: Sections 15301 and 15305
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The proposed project is categorically exempt from environmental review in accordance with Sections 15301 and 15305 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and Sections 18.36.030 (Class 1 - Existing facilities) and Section 18.36.070 (Class 5 – Minor alterations in land use limitations) of the Placer County Code because modifications to an existing restaurant is an exempt project under Class 1 and approval of a design site review agreement is an exempt action under Class 5 because the project is only for a design review where no other approvals require environmental review and the project does not fit the definition of a major project. The Zoning Administrator will be required to make a finding to this effect.

### Lead Agency Contact Person

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Signature Claudia Garcia Date 7/16/26

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