

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Los Angeles

12400 Imperial Highway

Norwalk, CA 90650

From: (Public Agency): City of Rancho Palos Verdes
30940 Hawthorne Blvd
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275

(Address)

Project Title: Portuguese Bend Landslide Remediation Project

Project Applicant: City of Rancho Palos Verdes

Project Location - Specific:

South section of the Palos Verdes Peninsula; bound to the SW by the Pacific Ocean

Project Location - City: Rancho Palos Verdes Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Portuguese Bend Landslide Remediation Project provides a comprehensive effort to address the Greater Portuguese Bend-Ancient Altamira Landslide Complex with the goal of slowing landslide movement. The Project would help slow the Landslide Complex by removing existing groundwater and substantially reducing groundwater recharge. This would be achieved through the installation of deep dewatering wells, a surface drainage system, hydraugers, and fissure filling. In addition, the Project would include grading to develop access roads to several of these project components.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Rancho Palos Verdes

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Rancho Palos Verdes

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: _____
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Consistent with Sections 15269(b) and (c), the Project would maintain existing property and facilities that have already experienced damage by slowing further landslide movement and reducing further damage. Consistent with Section 15269(c), the Project consists of specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency (deep dewatering wells, a surface drainage system, hydraugers, and fissure fillings) associated with the ongoing landslide.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Ara Mihranian

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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: 9.28.2016 Title: City Manager

▪ 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: _____