



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Sign Program 26-018 and Administrative Approval 26-013: JSerra High School Sign Program Modification and Minor Site Modifications

PROJECT APPLICANT: Michael Recupero, Project Manager, 31877 Del Obispo St, #204, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675, 949-429-6300, mrecupero@recupero.net

ADDRESS: 26500 Junipero Serra Road, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675 (APN: 649-011-25)

PROJECT LOCATION – CITY: San Juan Capistrano

PROJECT LOCATION – COUNTY: Orange County

DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT: A request to modify an existing sign program, including a sign exception for illumination, and establish an amplified sound system and three amplified speakers at an existing aquatics facility at JSerra High School located at 26500 Junipero Serra Road.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: City of San Juan Capistrano

NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Dominic Matias, Associate Planner

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 - Section 15301, Class 11 – Section 15311
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: This Project has been reviewed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The City's Environmental Administrator has determined that the Project is categorically exempt from further environmental review pursuant to Section 15301, Existing Facilities (Class 1), and Section 15311 Accessory Structures (Class 11) of the State CEQA Guidelines. The Class 1 exemption applies because the Project involves minor alterations to the existing private school aquatics facility, including replacement of the existing pool scoreboard in the same location and installation of related equipment on existing light poles. The Class 11 exemption applies because the Project involves improvements that are minor structures to the existing institutional use. No unusual circumstances exist that would preclude the use of this exemption, and none of the exceptions set forth in CEQA Guideline Section 15300.2 apply.

LEAD AGENCY

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Laura Stokes, Environmental Administrator

September 29, 2026
Date