

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Lake

255, North Forbes Street

Lakeport, CA 95403

From: (Public Agency): City of Clearlake
14050 Olympic Drive
Clearlake, CA 95422

(Address)

Project Title: Conditional Use Permit - CUP 2026-08

Project Applicant: Catholic Charites of Northwest CA - Alan Finnie

Project Location - Specific:

14490 Uhl Avenue, Clearlake, California 95422 (APN: 040-126-20)

Project Location - City: Clearlake, CA

Project Location - County: Lake County

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The applicant is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a Safe Parking Program. The Safe Parking Program is a temporary housing-focused intervention designed to provide individuals and families experiencing vehicular homelessness with safe, secure, and structured overnight parking. The objective of the program is for participants to transition into permanent housing within the required timeframe of 180 days. The program may house up to 19 household vehicles onsite at any given time. The program would operate daily from 8:00PM to 8:00AM and approved participants would be assigned a designated parking space upon arrival. All approved participants must check in between 8:00PM to 10:00PM and shall leave the premises between 6:00AM to 8:00AM. The site would also include portable sanitation facilities to accommodate program participants during operating hours. Participants would enter the program through a structured referral, screening and orientation process. Referrals may come through outreach teams, the Coordinated Entry System, Lake County Continuum of Care Partners, and other approved service partners.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Clearlake, CA

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Catholic Charites of Northwest CA - Alan Finnie

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: Section Class 1 - 15301 (Existing Facilities)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed use qualifies for this exemption, as it will utilize a commercially developed site, within the existing parking lot. By utilizing the existing facilities as-is, the project avoids any significant environmental impacts and aligns with the criteria outlined in CEQA Guidelines Section 15301. Additionally, project and/or existing developed site requires no negligible and/or expansion of the developed site.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Mark Roberts - Senior Planner Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (707) 994-8201

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: Mark Roberts Date: 9/29/2026 Title: Senior Planner

▪ 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: _____