

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: (Public Agency): Orange County Waste and Recycling
601 N. Ross Street, 5th Floor, Santa Ana, Ca 92701

County Clerk

County of: Orange

(Address)

Project Title: Installation of EV Charging Infrastructure at OC Waste & Recycling Active Landfills

Project Applicant: OC Waste and Recycling

Project Location - Specific:

FRB, OAL, POU

Project Location - City: Irvine, Brea, and San Juan Capistrano Project Location - County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

OC Waste & Recycling (OCWR) proposes the approval of the County of Orange's participation in the Southern California Edison's Charge Ready Transport (CRT) Program to reduce the county's cost for fleet electrification that is needed to comply with California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) mandates. The CRT Program provides incentives to public agencies by either allowing SCE to design and construct ready-made electrical infrastructure on participant property or providing rebates of up to 80 percent for customer-constructed make-ready infrastructure. Participating in the CRT Program requires the execution of program agreements with Southern California Edison (SCE) and for certain sites, allowing temporary construction and/or permanent utility easements to allow SCE to install and operate electrical infrastructure. If approved, the proposed project will include the installation of EV (electrical vehicles) charging infrastructure at the County's three (3) active landfills. All work is within the existing OCWR Landfill property.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: OC Waste and Recycling

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: OC Waste and Recycling

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: 15301
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The proposed action is Categorical Exempt (Class 1) from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, since the project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, 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. OCWR's participation in the CRT Program would allow the installation of EV charging infrastructure at the three (3) existing, active county-owned landfills and would minimize county expenditures associated with fleet electrification.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Greg Johansen Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 714-430-4679

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: [Signature] Date: 10/15/2026 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: _____