

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Santa Clara

County Clerk Recorder's Office

110 W. Tasman Dr, San Jose CA 95134

From: (Public Agency): City of Cupertino
10300 Torre Ave.

Cupertino, CA 95014

(Address)

Project Title: TR-2026-044

Project Applicant: Sarah Chou, Cupertino Water District

Project Location - Specific:

10167 Camberley Ln.

Project Location - City: Cupertino

Project Location - County: Santa Clara

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Tree Removal Application for the removal and replacement of one 18-inch DBH Bradford Pear tree located immediately against the sanitary sewer main which must be repaired, within the De Anza Oaks HOA townhome development at 10167 Camberley Lane. Replacement trees will be one 24-inch-box Crepe Myrtle and one 24-inch-box Acer rubrum (Red Maple) tree planted in the common area as depicted on the replacement tree plan.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Cupertino

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sarah Chou (schou@markthomas.com)

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 4, Section 15304
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Staff has found the project consistent with CMC 14.18.180(AX1), that the Bradford Pear tree interferes with private on-site utility services and cannot be controlled or remedied through reasonable relocation or modification of the structure or utility services. The Cupertino Sanitary District requires the removal of the tree to make necessary repairs to the sanitary sewer line located a few inches from the base of the tree. The repairs to the sanitary sewer line require that a 10' deep, 3' wide and 8' long trench be dug and the District contractor has confirmed they cannot hand dig around the base of the tree.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Catherine Tarone

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 408-777-3297

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: Catherine Tarone

Date: 10/20/2026

Title: Permit Technician

• 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: _____