Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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

County Clerk
County of: Los Angeles
12400 Imperial Hwy
Norwalk, CA 90650

From: (Public Agency): Mt. San Antonio Community College District
1100 N Grand Avenue
Walnut, CA 91789
(Address)

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED
ON November 24 2026
UNTIL December 24 2026
REGISTRAR – RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

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FILED
Nov 24 2026
Dean C. Logan, Registrar – Recorder/County Clerk
Electronically signed by MARY JOANNE PUNINA

Project Title: Fire Academy Training Facility Project

Project Applicant: Mt. San Antonio Community College District

Project Location – Specific:

The Project site is in the southern portion of Parking Lot M on the Mt. San Antonio College campus at 1100 North Grand Avenue, Walnut, California 91789, south of Temple Avenue and east of Grand Avenue.

Project Location – City: Walnut Project Location – County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Project would provide permanent training infrastructure for the Mt. SAC Basic Fire Academy, which currently operates in the southern portion of Parking Lot M using temporary facilities. Improvements include reconstruction of the existing asphalt pavement; a prefabricated, multi-story modular fire training structure with propane-fed Class B live-fire rooms and integrated training props; an underground closed-loop system to collect and recycle fire hose water; a permanent restroom building replacing the existing portable restrooms; and related electrical and fire waterline infrastructure. These improvements represent the minimum essential infrastructure needed for the Fire Academy to meet State Fire Training standards and maintain its Accredited Regional Training Program accreditation with the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Beneficiaries are Mt. SAC and its Fire Academy cadets and instructors.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Mt. San Antonio Community College District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Mt. San Antonio Community College District

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 (Sec. 15301), Class 3 (Sec. 15303), and Class 4 (Sec. 15304)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Project is categorically exempt under Class 1 (Existing Facilities, Section 15301) because it would reconstruct existing failing asphalt pavement with negligible or no expansion of the existing Fire Academy use; Class 3 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, Section 15303) because it would install a small modular fire training structure limited to propane-fed Class B burn rooms, a permanent restroom building replacing the existing portable restrooms, an underground closed-loop firewater collection system, and electrical and water utility extensions within an existing paved lot already used for Fire Academy training; and Class 4 (Minor Alterations to Land, Section 15304) because utility installation and extension work would involve minor trenching and backfilling, where surfaces would be restored upon completion. None of the exceptions in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: John Gaston Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 909.274.5130

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: 11/18/2026 Title: Sr. Project 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:

Revised 2011

State of California—Department of Fish and Wildlife

2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT Number: 19 — 11/24/2026 — 202611241250003

STATE CLEARING HOUSE # *(If applicable)*

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
MT. SAN ANTONIO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT		11/24/2026

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER
LA/CA	2026247582

PROJECT TITLE

FIRE ACADEMY TRAINING FACILITY PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
JOHN GASTON		(909)274-5130

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
1100 N GRAND AVE	WALNUT C		91789

PROJECT APPLICANT *(Check appropriate box):*

☑ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	$4,227.50	$ 0.00
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	$3,043.75	$ 0.00
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	$1,437.25	$ 0.00
☑ Exempt from fee		
☑ Notice of Exemption (attach)		
☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)		
☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)		
☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	$850.00	$ 0.00
☑ County documentary handling fee		$ 25.00
☐ Other		$ 0.00

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☑ Credit ☐ Check ☐ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED $ 25.00

SIGNATURE	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
X [signature]	MARY JOANNE PUAINA, ITC

ORIGINAL - PROJECT APPLICANT COPY - CDFW/ASB COPY - LEAD AGENCY COPY - COUNTY CLERK DFW 753.5a (Rev. 01/01/2025)

Dean C. Logan
Los Angeles County Registrar / Recorder
12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA
(800)201-8999

BUSINESS FILINGS REGISTRATION

NORWALK DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTER

Cashier: M. PUAINA

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Tuesday, November 24, 2026 10:07 AM

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Total		**$25.00**

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NORWALK, CA 90650

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PAYMENT

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TOTAL USD: $26.75

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