

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
(Article I – City CEQA Guidelines)

Public Resources Code Section 21152(a) requires local agencies to submit this information to the County Clerk and with the State Clearinghouse in the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation. The filing of the notice starts a 30-day statute of limitations on court challenges to the approval of the project pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21167.

LEAD CITY AGENCY AND ADDRESS: City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE)
1149 S. Broadway, Suite 600, MS 939, Los Angeles, CA 90015-2213

PROJECT TITLE: Sidewalk Repair Program - BOE-79

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2017071063

LOCATION: 160 sidewalk repair addresses in Council District 8 (CD 8), including six specific tree removal sites: 1) 2912 S. Hobart Blvd (1 Jacaranda), 2) 2923 S. Hobart Blvd (1 Camphor), 3) 3007 S. La Salle Ave (1 Jacaranda), 4) 2658 S. Harvard Blvd (1 Camphor), 5) 3000 S. Dalton Ave (1 Camphor), and 6) 1620 W. 30th St (1 Chinese Elm). The project site encompasses public right-of-way sidewalks and parkways distributed across 160 residential and commercial street segments within CD 8 in the South Los Angeles community. The repairs' immediate surrounding settings consist of fully developed residential neighborhoods, paved roadways, underground/overhead utilities, and street trees. The tree removal locations are situated in heavily developed public rights-of-way. **COUNCIL DISTRICT:** 8

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: BOE-79 (Project) is a later activity undertaken pursuant to the Sidewalk Repair Program (SRP) as a project eligible for credit under the *Willits* Settlement (Mark Willits, et al. v. City of Los Angeles [United States District Court Case No. CV10-05782 CBM (RZX)]) and subject to Los Angeles Municipal Code 62.104.1. The Project encompasses sidewalk reconstruction, cross-slope adjustments, curb and gutter repairs, and installation of accessible curb ramps across 160 addresses CD 8. Based on site-specific arborists evaluations, severe tree root uplift has disrupted sidewalk across the project locations. Alternative tree retention options (such as root pruning or sidewalk ramping) were determined infeasible because root pruning would compromise structural tree stability and public safety. Consequently, the Project includes Board of Public Works (BPW) approval for the removal of six street trees (2 Jacarandas, 3 Camphor, 1 Chinese Elm). BOE-79 mandates compliance with the SRP Street Tree Policy and Mandatory Project Design Features Policy.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATIONS: On August 5, 2026, the City Council certified the Recirculated Portions of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (2026 EIR) and re-certified the EIR, originally approved in 2021 (2021 EIR), for the SRP. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15168(c) and 15168(d), this is to advise that the City of Los Angeles Board of Public Works approved the above-described project on October 2, 2026, and determined that the Project is within the scope of the SRP as described in the 2021 and 2026 SRP EIR under CEQA, and that the 2021 and 2026 SRP EIR adequately describe the Project for purposes of CEQA. With respect to the approval of the Project, the following determinations are applicable:

SIGNIFICANT EFFECT	☐ Project will have a significant effect on the environment. ☒ Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
MITIGATION MEASURES	☐ Mitigation measures were made a condition of project approval. ☒ Mitigation measures were not made a condition of project approval.
MITIGATION REPORTING OR MONITORING	☐ A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for the project. ☒ A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was not adopted for the project.
OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION	☐ Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted. ☒ Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted. ☐ Statement of Overriding Considerations was not required.
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT	☐ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared and certified and findings were made for project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. ☒ An Environmental Impact Report was not prepared for the project.
NEGATIVE DECLARATION	☐ A Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for the project and may be examined at the Office of the City Clerk. ☒ A Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration was not prepared for the project.

The documents constituting the record of proceedings in this matter are located at the Board of Public Works Commission, 200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California 90012; the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE), 1149 South Broadway, Suite 600, Los Angeles, California 90015; and any other relevant City department.

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