

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

(City CEQA Guidelines)

Submission of this form is optional. The form shall be filed with the County Clerk, 12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA 90650, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21168(d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on Court challenges to the approval of the project. Failure to file the notice results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.

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| LEAD CITY AGENCY AND ADDRESS: Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADPW) 111 N. Hope Street, Room 1044 Los Angeles, CA 90012 | COUNCIL DISTRICT 4 – David Ryu |
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| PROJECT TITLE Hollywood Temporary Laydown Yard | LOG REFERENCE N/A |
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PROJECT LOCATION
 A vacant, LADWP-owned lot near the address of 2930 N Cahuenga Blvd East, 90068. See Attached Map.

DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:
 The LADWP intends to continue using a laydown yard on existing LADWP property in Hollywood.

See attached for additional information and project details.

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| CONTACT PERSON Nadia Parker | AREA CODE 213 | TELEPHONE NUMBER EXT. 367-1745 |
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| EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One) | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MINISTERIAL <input type="checkbox"/> DECLARED EMERGENCY <input type="checkbox"/> EMERGENCY PROJECT <input type="checkbox"/> GENERAL EXEMPTION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (See Public Resources Code Sec. 21080(b) and set forth state and city guidelines provision) | CITY CEQA GUIDELINES Art. II, Sec. 2b Art. II, Sec. 2a(1) Art. II, Sec. 2a(2) & (3) Art. II, Sec. 1 Art. III, Sec. 1 | STATE EIR GUIDELINES Sec. 15073 Sec. 15071(a) Sec. 15071(b) & (c) Sec. 15060 Sec. 15300 |

JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) it has been determined that the creation and use of an office and laydown/storage area is exempt pursuant to the Categorical Exemption described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15304, Class 4. Minor Alterations to Land. Class 4 consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes. Examples include, but are not limited to: (e) Minor temporary use of land having negligible or no permanent effects on the environment, including carnivals, sales of Christmas trees, etc.

Also, in accordance with CEQA, it has been determined that the continued and ongoing use of an office and laydown/storage area – with no change to existing use or intent, is exempt pursuant to the Categorical Exemption described in CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities. Class 1 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. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of use.

IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT OF EXEMPTION FINDING

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| SIGNATURE:  Charles C. Holloway | TITLE: Manager of Environmental Assessment | DATE | |
| FEE: \$75.00 | RECEIPT NO. | REC'D BY | DATE |

DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT (continued):

The intent of the yard (as originally developed and as it has been used since 2016) is to provide water distribution crews working on replacing the aging water infrastructure in the area a temporary reporting location and material staging area to improve efficiency and minimize the impact to the neighborhood during construction.

Since 2016, six projects have been supported by the use of this site allowing efficient staging and storage for the replacement of aging infrastructure, thereby minimizing impacts to the broader area. The use of the yard has been so effective and efficient for LADWP, that in the development and forecasting of other necessary mainline replacement projects in the general area, LADWP proposes to continue using the laydown yard as a staging area for local mainline replacement projects.

Completed Mainline Projects include:

Delongpre Ave (N/O Fountain) – WEHO - 1,780LF
Wilcox Ave (S/O Santa Monica BI – 3000LF
Yucca Trail, (S/O Mannix Dr) – 3203 LF
McAdden PI (S/O Lexington Ave) – 2190LF
Cole Ave (S/O Santa Monica BI – 2940LF
Sierra Bonita Ave, S/O Santa Monica– 2446LF

Mainline Replacement Projects Still In-Construction:

Sunset Plaza Drive (E/O Rising Glenn to Hollywood BI – 6,000LF
Hollydridge, Graciosa, Canyon CV & Manola – 3,000LF
La Mirada and Virginia Ave, E/O Wilton -2,800LF
Sierra Bonita Ave, Curson & Gardiner S/O Melrose to Beverly Phase II–
10,200LF

Mainline Replacement Projects Identified for near future construction:

Spaulding Ave (S/O Melrose Ave to Beverly – 2700LF
Detroit Street, N/O Santa Monica Blvd to Sunset Blvd – 2600LF

The site as conceived, executed and currently operating has consisted of a generally open lot graded and compacted with aggregate base material. No permanent structures have been or will be constructed onsite. Three portable construction trailers, consisting of two (2) 8-foot by 28-foot trailers, and one (1) 24-foot by 60-foot trailer are located along the south east side of the site. Remaining portions of the property are used for construction crewmember parking (approx. 25 vehicles a day) and/or material and equipment storage. The fence surrounding the laydown yard meets typical specifications used by LADWP in residential areas and include privacy screens that resemble hedging, as well as noise dampening panels. Additionally, native and drought tolerant landscaping has been installed around the laydown yard. Power and water are being supplied to the site from existing, nearby utility connections. Minor utility improvements already completed included the installation of one fire hydrant for fire protection and stormwater drainage improvements to prevent slope erosion. No sewer

line has or will be installed. Outside of the hours of operation only motion sensor security lighting and security cameras are utilized onsite. Typical hours of operation at the site have been and will remain between 6 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and between 6:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

At the completion of the intended use, originally conceived as the December 2020, the site will be restored to its existing condition, including re-vegetation through hydroseeding.



TEMPORARY LADWP OFFICE

LADWP WATER SYSTEM

