Notice of Exemption

To: Marin County Clerk
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Project Title: Sun Valley Elementary School Solar Photovoltaic Array Project

Project Location - Specific: Sun Valley Elementary School
75 Happy Lane, San Rafael, CA 94901

Project Location - City: San Rafael
   Project Location - County: Marin

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: This project consists of the construction of a new solar photovoltaic (PV) shade structure at Sun Valley Elementary School. The new 7,200 square-foot solar shade structure will be located on campus between the existing field and blacktop, creating a total estimated shade area of approximately 7,200 square feet. The estimated PV module area structure will have a module count of approximately 267. The preliminary homerun route will run from the main electrical service location through the parking lot and along the perimeter of the school building to the shade structure. The project will also include upgrades, extensions, relocation, and/or replacement of existing utilities and other utility work, as necessary, including electrical; site work, including demolition, earthwork, minor grading, trenching, backfill, and related site work; associated equipment and other improvements appurtenant thereto. This project will serve the greater sustainability drive of the District, and will generate power to help offset Sun Valley Elementary School’s current electrical usage, resulting in energy savings for the District. Construction is anticipated to commence in the Summer of 2023. This Project would benefit District staff, students, and the local community.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Rafael City Schools

Name of Agency Carrying Out Project: San Rafael City Schools

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; Class 11: Sec. 15311; and Class 14: Sec. 15314
☐ Statutory Exemptions.
☐ Other. Common Sense Exemption: Sec. 15061(b)(3)

Reasons Why Project Is Exempt: Class 1: Operation, repair, maintenance, or minor exterior alterations to existing public structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features involving no or negligible expansion of use. Class 3: Construction and location of limited number of small, new facilities or structures and reasonable electrical power and other utility extensions. Class 11: The Project consists of the construction of minor structures accessory to the existing facilities. Class 14: Minor additions to an existing school site. Common Sense Exemption: It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed project involves any activity that may have a significant effect on the environment. District will be improving an already developed property, with no increased capacity.