

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION – CITY OF NOVATO

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**Project Title:** BioMarin Life Sciences Organization Campus Zoning Clearance & Use Permit

**Project Location:** *This Project involves the eight (8) properties listed below.*

- 300 Bel Marin Keys, Novato CA
- 36 Galli Drive, Novato CA
- 35 Leveroni Court, Novato CA
- 45 Leveroni Court, Novato CA
- 95 Digital Drive, Novato CA
- 265 Bel Marin Keys, Novato CA
- 21 & 23 Pimentel Court, Novato CA
- 121 Hamilton Drive, Novato CA

**Assessor Parcel No.:** 157-451-22, 157-452-14, 157-511-62 & -64, 157-501-67, 157-400-78, 157-461-04, 157-332-20

**Description of Project:** Zoning clearance recognizing the BioMarin Pharmaceutical Inc., as a life sciences organization and the formation of a life sciences organization campus comprised of the properties as listed above; and use permit approval conditionally allowing off-site and shared parking arrangements and implementation of a travel demand management plan for the proposed life sciences organization campus.

**Public Agency Taking Action on the Project:** City of Novato

**Person or Agency Proposing Project:** BioMarin Pharmaceutical Inc.,  
105 Digital Drive, Novato CA 94949

**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption:

**Statutory Exemptions:** CEQA Guidelines Section 15183 (Projects Consistent with a Community Plan or Zoning).

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:** No further environmental review is required for the Project pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15183, Projects Consistent with a Community Plan, General Plan, or Zoning. Section 15183(d) mandates that projects which are consistent with the development intensity established by existing zoning, community plan, or general plan policies for which an EIR was certified shall not require additional environmental review, except as might be necessary to examine whether there are project-specific significant effects which are peculiar to the project, or its site as addressed in Subsection 15183(b). The Project does not involve any physical modifications or changes in land use and is consistent with the land use and development intensity established by the General Plan for life science organizations and campuses as evaluated in the certified Final EIR ("FEIR") for General Plan 2035. Accordingly, the Project meets the criteria of CEQA Guidelines Subsection 15183(d). The Project, as conditioned, is compliant with applicable regulations and is therefore consistent with the findings of the FEIR.

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**Signature:** Stephen C. Marshall **Date:** 9/12/23  
Stephen C. Marshall, Deputy Director of Community Development

**Signed by Lead Agency**  **Signed by Applicant** Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

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