



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Alhecama Studio's Greening and Retrofit 08

LOCATION: El Presidio de Santa Barbara SHP **COUNTY:** Santa Barbara

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

This project is the seismic retrofit and “greening” of studio units at the historic Alhecama Theatre complex within the State Historic Park. Currently two of the three buildings are vacant, with no access to restrooms. This project will create an environmentally considerate building, with an ADA accessible restroom, to be used as offices and classrooms. The finished product will be a “green construction” model in the community, and the space itself will serve as an education center to promote “green construction” building awareness within the City and County of Santa Barbara and the California State Park System. This project is funded entirely through private sources.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Channel Coast

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption

Class: 1 Section(s): 15301

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated.
An archaeologist will ensure avoidance of significant impacts to cultural resources.
There will be negligible or no expansion of existing use (class 1).
Restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety (class 1d).

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