

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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TO: ☒ Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 12  
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: City of Watsonville 120-25  
Community Development Dept  
250 Main Street  
Watsonville, CA 95076

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Santa Cruz County  
701 Ocean Street, Room 500  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

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SEP 15 2025

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

FILE NO.: PP2024-8263

Project Title: Watsonville Paving and Grading

Project Location - Specific: 0 Jennings Way

Project Location - City: Watsonville

Project Location - County: Santa Cruz

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The project proposes the construction of a new contractor's yard for Watsonville Paving and Grading. Project includes flat work consisting of 30,000 square feet of paving and asphalt, 5,500 square feet of new landscaping and stormwater improvements.

**Name of Public agency Approving Project:** City of Watsonville

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Maximilian Brandt

**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 3, §15303  
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

THIS NOTICE HAS BEEN POSTED AT THE CLERK  
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OFFICE FOR A

PERIOD COMMENCING 9/15/2025

AND ENDING 10/20/2025

**Reasons why project is exempt:** This project qualifies for a Class 3 Categorical Exemption (Section 15303 - New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project involves construction of a new contractor's yard on vacant industrial land and includes grading, paving, landscaping, and installation of a stormwater system, light poles, and fencing.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Matt Orbach  
**If filed by applicant:**

**Telephone:** 831.768.3077

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  
Yes ☐ No ☐

**Signature:** [Signature] **Date:** 08/19/25 **Title:** Assistant CDD Director

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

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