

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Santa Cruz County

701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz

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From: (Public Agency): City of Watsonville
231 Union Street

Watsonville, CA 95076

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Project Title: Struve Slough and Watsonville Slough Bridges Fencing Installation Project

Project Applicant: City of Watsonville

Project Location - Specific:

City-owned transportation facilities (roadways) along Harkins Slough Road

Project Location - City: Watsonville

Project Location - County: Santa Cruz

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Project will install protective fencing beneath the abutments of the Struve Slough Bridge and Watsonville Slough Bridge to enhance public safety and site security, protect critical bridge infrastructure, discourage unauthorized access, and safeguard sensitive environmental resources from debris, waste, and other impacts.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Watsonville

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Watsonville

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 Existing Facilities 15301
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project falls within the Class 1 category because the fence construction represents a minor alteration of an existing public facility, and there would be no expansion of capacity.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Danielle Green

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: _____

If filed by applicant:

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: Danielle Green Date: 10/9/2026 | 10:45 AM PDT Director of Public Works

▪ Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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