

Notice of Exemption

21-2026-131

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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County Clerk

County of: Marin

3501 Civic Center drive

San Rafael, CA 94903

From: (Public Agency): City of Novato

922 Machin Avenue

Novato, CA 94945

(Address)

Project Title: Hamilton Amphitheater Park Playground Improvements, CIP 26-004

Project Applicant: _____

Project Location - Specific:

601 Hamilton Parkway

Project Location - City: NovatoProject Location - County: Marin

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Replace and improve existing playground and surfacing to ensure ADA requirements. Restroom remodel, parking and concrete pathways improvements to current ADA requirements.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of NovatoName of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Novato

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: CEQA 15301. EXISTING FACILITIES, Subsection (d)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The types of "existing facilities" itemized below are not intended to be all-inclusive of the types of projects which might fall within Class 1. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of use.

(d) Restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety, unless it is determined that the damage was substantial and resulted from an environmental hazard such as earthquake, landslide, or flood.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Petr SkalaArea Code/Telephone/Extension: (415) 899-8237

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: [Signature] Date: 8/4/2026 Title: Associate Engineer

☐ 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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