



California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Analysis

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District: River Delta Unified School District
Project: D. H. White Elementary School Administration Modernization Project
Date: April 10, 2024

Bill Emien, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Solano, State of California
Deputy [Signature]

Project Scope

The River Delta Unified School District is located in the City of Rio Vista, and has schools located in Sacramento County, Solano County and Yolo County, California. The district serves approximately 2,200 students.

The proposed project is at D. H. White Elementary School, located at 500 Elm Way in Rio Vista, Solano County. The project proposes to demolish and replace the existing Administration building, modernize an existing building, and provide minor site improvements at the school.

CEQA Analysis

In order to comply with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the District may choose to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) for this Project as a categorical exemption, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15314, which allows a categorical exemption for minor additions to existing schools within existing school grounds where the addition does not increase original student capacity by more than 25% or ten classrooms, whichever is less. The addition of portable classrooms is included in this exemption.

Analysis of Project: the project will demolish and replace the existing portable Administration building on the school campus with a permanent structure, provide restroom upgrades in one of the existing buildings, and provide minor site improvements. The project is not increasing existing capacity by more than 25% or ten classrooms.

CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 states that a Lead Agency cannot use a categorical exemption to comply with CEQA if any of the following exceptions apply:

- a) Location – an exemption is not applicable if the Project is located in a particularly significant environment (e.g., the Coastal Zone, or another known area of biological sensitivity); this project is not located in this type of location.
b) Cumulative Impact – an exemption is not applicable when the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant; this project is a small addition that does not make a significant impact.
c) Significant Effect – a categorical exemption shall not be used for an activity where there is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances; there is no reasonable possibility that this project is creating a significant impact.
d) Scenic Highways – a categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway; this project is not located on a Scenic Highway.
e) Hazardous Waste Sites – a categorical exemption shall not be used for a project located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code; this is an existing school site and is not a hazardous waste site.
f) Historical Resources – a categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource; this project does not cause a substantial adverse change in a historical resource.

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code; References: Sections 21084 and 21084.1, Public Resources Code

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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
County Clerk
County of: Solano
675 Texas Street, Suite 6500
Fairfield, CA 94533

From: (Public Agency):
River Delta Unified School District
445 Montezuma Street; Rio Vista, CA 94571
(Address)

Project Title: D. H. White Elementary School Modernization Project

Project Applicant: River Delta Unified School District

Project Location - Specific:
D. H. White Elementary School: 500 Elm Way; Rio Vista, CA 94571

Project Location - City: Rio Vista Project Location - County: Solano

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The project proposes to demolish and replace the existing Administration building, modernize an existing building, and provide minor site improvements.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: River Delta Unified School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: River Delta Unified School District

- 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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1; §15314
[ ] Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:
§ 15314 provides an exemption for minor additions to existing schools within existing school grounds where the addition does not increase original student capacity by more than 25% or ten classrooms, whichever is less. This project will provide two additional classrooms to the existing school campus. The project is not increasing existing capacity by more than 25% or ten classrooms.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Tammy Busch Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (707) 374-1715

- 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? [X] Yes [ ] No

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 5-15-24 Title: Asst Superintendent

[X] 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.