

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: San Joaquin

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Stockton, California 95202

From: (Public Agency): Port of Stockton

315 Fyffe Avenue

Stockton, California 95203

(Address)

Project Title: Port of Stockton SQM Laydown Agreement Warehouse 414

Project Applicant: Port of Stockton (Port)

Project Location - Specific:

Warehouse 414 (East and Center Sections) at 414 Edwards Avenue, Stockton, CA 95203

Project Location - City: Stockton

Project Location - County: San Joaquin

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Port proposes to issue a new temporary laydown license agreement to an existing Port tenant, SQM, for tenant use of an existing warehouse space on the Port's West Complex. The area would be used for transloading, temporary storage and laydown of approved bagged fertilizer products in accordance with their existing lease. The space will be leased on a short-term monthly basis.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Port of Stockton

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: SQM

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 proposed project would not cause any significant impacts to the environment. Section 15301 applies to this project because it involves use of an existing empty warehouse which was formerly used as storage space. In accordance with Section 15300.2, which stipulates the exceptions to CEQA categorical exemptions, the proposed project would not result in a significant cumulative impact, significant effect on the environment, or impact scenic highways, hazardous waste sites, or historical resources. Accordingly, the proposed project is exempt from the requirements of CEQA.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jason Cashman

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209-946-0246

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: J PGL **Date:** 05/22/25 **Title:** Director of Environmental Affairs

▪ 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.

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