

# Notice of Exemption

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**From:** Community Development Department  
City of Lancaster  
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Norwalk, CA 90650

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(Date received for filing)

**Project Title:** New Pocket Park

**Project Applicant:** City of Lancaster; Parks, Arts, Recreation & Community Services (PARCS) Department

**Project Location - General:** City of Lancaster, County of Los Angeles, State of California

**Project Location - Specific:** Avenue J and New Southbound Freeway Onramp (APNs: 3124-012-903, 902, 900, 901)

**Project Description:** The proposed project involves the construction of a small pocket on approximately 4.35 gross acres/2.9 net acres after construction of the new freeway on-ramp at Avenue J is finished. The proposed pocket park would consist of a small triangle space between the freeway on-ramp and the existing single family residential subdivisions immediately adjacent to the parcels. The proposed pocket park is proposed to be a passive park with a drought-tolerant demonstration garden, some meandering trails and potentially a small playground with shaded areas and benches for seating.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Lancaster

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** City of Lancaster PARCS Department/Contractor

**Exempt Status:** *(check one)*

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268); Section 15061(b)(3), General Rule
- 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 32, Section 15332, Infill Development Projects.
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The proposed project is for the construction of a new pocket park on approximately 2.9 net acres in the center of the City of Lancaster. The project site is adjacent to several residential subdivisions and is currently being utilized for the storage of asphalt grindings associated with the construction of the new freeway on-ramp. The proposed project would consist of a passive park with a drought tolerant demonstration garden with some meandering trails and potentially a small play ground with shaded areas and benches for seating.

The proposed project is consistent with the general plan and zoning requirements; is located on less than 5 acres; does not contain any habitat with value for special status plant and animal species; would not generate any significant impacts with respect to any resource areas; and can be served by all utilities and public services.

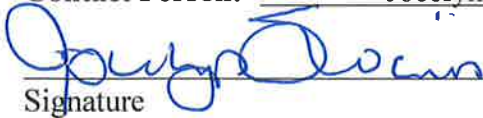
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Additionally, the project site is not located on a hazardous materials site, along a state scenic highway, has not historical resources and would not generate any cumulative impacts.

**Lead Agency**

**Contact Person:** Jocelyn Swain **Area Code/Telephone:** (661) 723-6249



Senior Planner

May 11, 2023

Signature

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Date