



# NOTICE OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION

## Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department

2550 Ventura Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95403  
(707) 565-1900 | Fax (707) 565-1103

Sonoma County proposes to carry out the following project. Pursuant to Section 23A of the Sonoma County Code, it has been determined that this project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

<b>Project Title:</b>	Certificate of Modification (CMO24-0002)	<b>To:</b>	County Clerk-Recorder Office, County of Sonoma 585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103 Santa Rosa, CA 95403
<b>Public Agency:</b>	Sonoma County		
<b>Applicant:</b>	Matthew Martinez, 17603 Balsam Avenue, Sonoma, CA 95476		
<b>Location:</b>	2745 Bennett Ridge Rd, Santa Rosa		Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
<b>Approval Date:</b>	April 18, 2024		

### DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE PROJECT:

The proposed project is a Certificate of Modification request to expand the recorded building envelope as shown for Lot 2 on Parcel Map MNS07-0011, Book 753 of Maps, Pages 47-50, Sonoma County Records from 0.15 acres to 0.56 acres to accommodate development potential for new residential accessory structures in addition to an allowable primary residence on a 5.22-acre parcel at 2745 Bennett Ridge Road, Santa Rosa, APN 055-240-021; Supervisorial District 1.

### EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption Section(s): 15305(a) for Minor Alterations to Land Use Limitations.

### REASON WHY THIS PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

The proposed project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the CEQA Guidelines pursuant to the Provisions of Title 14 of the California Administrative Code under Section 15305, because the expanded building envelope boundary as proposed does not increase the allowable density of one primary dwelling unit for the site and contains an area averaging less than 20 percent slope. Additionally, the proposed building envelope further avoids potential environmental impacts by continuing to limit the location of new structures to an average distance of 220 feet from the nearest riparian corridor boundary and by remaining substantially screened by existing topography and vegetation from the nearest public improved roads and recreational amenities.

No exceptions listed under Section 15300.2 apply. There is no reasonable possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment.

This Notice of Exemption is filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

### Lead Agency Contact Person:


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April 18, 2024

Date

This notice was posted on 04/18/2024  
and will remain posted for a period of thirty days  
through 05/19/2024

**Doc No.49-04182024-101**

Deva Marie Proto, County Clerk  
BY:   
Bryant Hill, Deputy Clerk



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2024 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
**CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/24) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:  
49-04182024-101

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

**SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.**

LEAD AGENCY SONOMA COUNTY PERMIT AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL DERIK.MICHAELSON@SONOMA-COUNTY.ORG	DATE 04/18/2024
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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SONOMA	DOCUMENT NUMBER 24-0418-04
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PROJECT TITLE  
CERTIFICATE OF MODIFICATION (CMO24-0002)

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME MATTHEW MARTINEZ	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (707) 565-1900
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 17603 BALSAM AVE	CITY SONOMA	STATE CA	ZIP CODE 95476
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**PROJECT APPLICANT** (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency    
  School District    
  Other Special District    
  State Agency    
 Private Entity

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,051.25	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,916.75	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,377.25	\$ _____

Exempt from fee  
 Notice of Exemption (attach)  
 CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)  
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$ 50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$ _____

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

Cash   
  Credit   
  Check   
 Other

**TOTAL RECEIVED**    \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Bryant Hill, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder
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