Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Botanic Gardens Information Center Improvements
Project Applicant: University of California, Riverside
Project Location – Specific: The project is located just inside the entrance of the Botanic Gardens on the UC Riverside Campus, generally southeast of the intersection of Big Springs Road and East Campus Drive.
Project Location – City: Riverside                           Project Location – County: Riverside

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project (Project Description): The proposed project will remodel the existing 240 gross square foot former information center building, which is currently used for storage, to return the space to use as an information center for the Botanic Gardens. The improvements will include replacing windows, doors, countertops, and cabinetry; installation of a drop box safe; lowering the information window to comply with ADA requirements; replacement of contiguous concrete sidewalk to meet ADA requirements; and interior painting.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: University of California, Riverside

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: University of California, Riverside

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: 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State type and section number:
☐ General Exemption (Sec. 15061(b)(3)).

Reason Why Project is Exempt: The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301, Existing Facilities, because is consists of repair and minor alteration of an existing facility. This project will result in negligible or no expansion of the existing use of the Botanic Gardens. No exceptions apply.

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Date: 8-20-14

☒ Signed by Lead Agency
☐ Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR:

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