Notice of Exemption

To: ☒ Office of Planning and Research
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From: University of California, Riverside
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Project Title: Batchelor Hall Interiors Project
Project Applicant: University of California
Project Location – Specific: University of California, Riverside campus, generally northwest of the intersection of East Campus Drive and Eucalyptus Drive.
Project Location – City: Riverside

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Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project (Project Description):
The proposed project consists of the minor interior renovation of existing space in Batchelor Hall, an approximately 111,000 GSF building. The project will address code requirements by expanding restrooms and providing ADA-compliant access on upper floors, upgrading fire/life/safety and protections systems, and upgrading an elevator. The project also involves minor interior alterations for the creation of support spaces for equipment. Exterior trenching and backfilling (approximately 400 feet) along an already disturbed alignment will be required to connect the building to a standby generator.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: University of California

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

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

Reason Why Project is Exempt:
The proposed project is categorically exempt under a Class 1, Existing Facilities, as it consists of minor interior alterations resulting in negligible expansion of use beyond that which exists. None of the exceptions to the exemptions regarding sensitivity of location, cumulative impact, significant effect, scenic highways, hazardous waste site, and historic resources apply.

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☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR:

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