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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Filing Fee Exempt Per Gov. Code 6103

TO: County Clerk-Recorder, County of Orange

FROM: Orange County Flood Control District

Initial Study Number: IP13-276

Job Code: EF25104

Project Title: Glassell Yard Campus Stormwater Low Impact Development (LID) Retrofit Project

Project Location: The project site consists of three adjoining parcels, each containing one light industrial/office/commercial building with surface parking. Parcel 1 is located at 2301 N. Glassell St.; Parcel 2 at 2245 N. Glassell St.; and Parcel 3 at 222 E. Bristol Lane in Orange, California. The project site is generally bound by E. Bristol Ln. to the north, off-site light industrial/office buildings and E. Emerson Ln. to the south; N. Orange Olive Rd. to the east; and N. Glassell St. to the west. Major cross streets include E. Fletcher Ave. to the north and N. Glassell St.

Description, Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of the proposed project is to filter and remove pollutants, infiltrate and reduce stormwater runoff on the approximately 9.4-acre Glassell Yard Campus. Stormwater runoff from the site would be reduced by removing existing impervious surfaces and constructing landscaped infiltration strips and bio-retention Low Impact Development (LID) best management practices (BMPs), including permeable paving, flow-through planters, bioswales, modular wetlands, and a subsurface cistern, the latter in Parcel 3. Together, the project would provide 100 percent stormwater treatment and 85 percent on-site retention of an 85th percentile expected value storm event.

The project is scheduled to begin construction in December 2014 and end in December 2015. The project would be constructed in multiple phases; no two parcels would be constructed concurrently. No work would be conducted at Parcel 3 during the rainy season because operations and maintenance (O&M) storm operations require that it remain fully functional during this season. During construction, parking would be provided on street and can be shifted between Parcels 1, 2, and 3.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Orange

Applicant or Agency Carrying Out Project: Orange County Flood Control District

Address: 300 North Flower Street, Santa Ana, CA 92703-5000

Exempt Status:

☐ Ministerial (Sec. 15268)

☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 15269)

☐ Statutory Exemption:

☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 15269)

☐ General Rule (Sec. 15061)

☒ Categorical Exemption: Class 1, §15301; Class 4, §15304

Date of Decision: _____

Reasons why project is exempt: The proposed Glassell Yard Campus Stormwater Low Impact Development (LID) Retrofit Project is considered consistent with the actions permitted under both a Class 1 and Class 4 Categorical Exemption (CE). Section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines identifies a Class 1 CE as covering the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing structures and facilities that results in no expansion of use. The proposed project would allow for the removal of existing paved surfaces and ornamental landscaping for replacement with Low Impact Development (LID) best management practices (BMPs). State CEQA Guidelines Section 15304 identifies a Class 4 CE as covering minor alteration to land. There are no natural resources within or surrounding the project site and the proposed project would provide for stormwater treatment and reduce stormwater runoff. The proposed project would not result in any significant visual changes or land use conflicts. Construction activities and staging would occur within the site boundaries. Additionally, the project would not result in cumulative impacts.

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Signature: _____ Title: _____

Fish & Game Fees: Pursuant to Section 711.4 (c) (2)(A) of the California Fish and Game Code, this project is exempt from the required fees, as it is exempt from CEQA.