

INFORMATION:

Refer to the specific checklist for permit type (e.g., CUP, Plan Amendment, etc.) to verify if this form is required.

Consult with planning staff to determine if your project is found to be eligible for an exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). To learn more about CEQA, visit <https://opr.ca.gov/ceqa/>.

This questionnaire will assist the County in determining if an Initial Study is required for the proposed project. Planning staff may request technical studies or additional items as needed on a project-by-project basis.

Submit this completed form and applicable documents to the applicable Base Application (refer to checklist) via EPIC-LA (<https://epicla.lacounty.gov>). Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Please refer to "File an Application" (planning.lacounty.gov/how-do-i/file-an-application).

Applicants are advised to consult with planning staff prior to applying at **213-974-6411** or info@planning.lacounty.gov.

An initial environmental fee will be automatically assessed for projects subject to CEQA and additional environmental filing fees may apply after application review. Payments are accepted through EPIC-LA.

Applicant:	Subject property (Address or APN)
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1. Describe each item as it relates to the PROJECT SITE:

a. Existing land uses / structures:

b. Topography / slope:

c. Vegetation:

d. Wildlife:

e. Surface waters:

f. Cultural / historical resources:

g. Other:

2. Describe each item as it relates to the SURROUNDING AREA:

a. Existing land uses / structures:

b. Topography / slope:

c. Vegetation:

d. Wildlife:

e. Surface waters:

f. Cultural / historical resources:

g. Other:

3. Will the proposed project change the pattern, scale or character of the surrounding general area?

Yes No If yes, *describe*:

4. What steps can be taken to mitigate any adverse effects that may result from this project? List the adverse effect first, then the mitigation measure(s) to reduce that effect.

5. Have the water, sewer, fire and flood control agencies serving the project been contacted to determine their ability to provide adequate service to the proposed project?

Yes No If yes, attach response.

GEOLOGY

6. Are there identifiable landslide risk, fault lines or zones, liquefaction hazards, expansive soils, or subsidence risks which that would impact the project? Is the project site located on uncompacted fill?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

7. Does the project propose grading or alteration of topography, or contain slopes over 25 percent?

Yes No If yes, describe:

FLOOD

8. Does the project site contain a drainage course or waterway?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

9. Is the project located within or contain a floodway, flood plain or designated 100-year flood hazard zone?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

10. Will the project alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area? Do offsite drainage facilities have capacity to accommodate site runoff?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

FIRE

11. Is the property located within a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ) or hillsides area with moderately-to-very dense vegetation?

Yes No Unknown

12. Distance from project site to nearest fire station: _____ miles

NOISE

13. Describe existing noise sources and noise levels that now affect the site (aircraft, roadway noise, railroads, industry, etc.) and how they will affect proposed uses:

14. Describe the type of short-term and long-term noise to be generated, including the source and amount:

15. Are sensitive receptors, e.g., schools hospitals, residences, located near the project site? How will project noise levels affect adjacent properties and on-site uses?

16. What methods of soundproofing are proposed?

WATER QUALITY

17. Does the project propose the use of a private water well?

Yes No Unknown

18. Does the project propose private wastewater disposal or on-site septic systems?

Yes No

19. How much wastewater will the project generate? Unknown

20. Are there any bodies of water (including domestic water supplies) into which the site drains?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

AIR QUALITY

21. Will the project result in increased air emissions or create objectionable odors during or after construction?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

GREENHOUSE GASES

22. Will the project generate greenhouse gas (GhGs) emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment (i.e., on global climate change)? The significance of the impacts of a project's GhG emissions should be evaluated as a cumulative impact rather than a project-specific impact.

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

23. Will the project conflict with any applicable plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases including regulations implementing California AB 32 of 2006, the General Plan policies for implementing actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

BIOTA

24. Is the project located within a Significant Ecological Area (SEA), SEA Buffer, Coastal Zone, coastal Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Resource Area (ESHA), Wildflower Reserve Area, or within a relatively undisturbed natural area?

Yes No If yes, describe:

25. Will grading, fire clearance or other improvements remove natural habitat or relatively undisturbed area?

Yes No If yes, describe:

26. Does the project contain coastal sage scrub, oak woodland, sycamore riparian, oak woodlands, wetlands, or other sensitive natural communities?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

27. Does the project area contain any known suitable habitat for listed endangered or threatened species, other sensitive species, or a wildlife corridor?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

OAK TREES

28. Are protected oak trees present? (*Oak Tree Permit may be required.*)

Yes No. If yes, indicate :

Total number of protected oak trees to be encroached: _____

Total number of protected oak trees to be removed : _____

29. Would the project, including project buildout, require removal of protected oak trees?

Yes No

CULTURAL RESOURCES

30. Does the project site contain rock formations indicating potential paleontological resources?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

31. Does the project site contain known archeological resources, or historic structures or sites?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY

32. Does the project conflict with existing agricultural zoning or convert existing farmland to a non-agricultural use?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

AESTHETICS

33. Is the project visible from a scenic highway or is it located within a scenic corridor?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

34. Will the project impact a riding or hiking trail, ridgeline, shoreline view, significant natural feature or previously undisturbed area?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe

35. Is the proposed use out-of-character in comparison to adjacent uses due to height, bulk or other features?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

36. Will the project create sun shadow, light or glare problems?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

TRAFFIC / ACCESS

37. Estimate the post-construction vehicular traffic generated by the proposed project:

0 – 50 trips per day 51 – 250 trips per day 251 – 500 trips per day 500 + trips per day

38. Explain what effects the project may have on parking, vehicular traffic circulation, and potential traffic safety hazards in the area:

39. Explain what effect, if any, the project may have on pedestrian or other non-motorized circulation in the area:

40. Will the project conflict with public transit facilities (bus and rail) or bicycle facilities and bicycle lanes?

Yes No Unknown If yes, describe:

SCHOOLS (Residential Projects Only)

41. Indicate school district(s) serving the project:

42. Estimate the number of school children who will reside in the proposed project: _____

43. Do existing school facilities adequately accommodate the proposed project?

Yes No Unknown

Verified by school administration? Yes No If yes, attach verification. If no, describe provisions for additional classroom capacity:

ENERGY CONSERVATION

44. Describe energy sources for the proposed project, and proposed designs, materials or features of the project that promote energy conservation or use of non-fossil-fuel energy sources.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

45. In the known history of the property, has there been any use, storage, or discharge of hazardous or toxic materials? Examples of hazardous or toxic materials include, but are not limited to, PCB's; radioactive substances; and herbicides, pesticides; paints; fuels, oils, solvents, or other flammable liquids or gases.

Yes No Unknown

If yes, please list the materials and describe their use, storage, or discharge on the property, including the dates of use, if known. Also note underground storage of the above:

46. Will the proposed project involve the temporary or long-term use, storage, discharge, or disposal of hazardous and/or toxic materials, including but not limited to those examples listed above?

Yes No If yes, provide an inventory of all such materials to be used and method of disposal:

NON-RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS

47. Workforce:

a) Number of daily work shifts: _____ b) Operating days and hours: _____

c) Maximum number of employees: _____ d) Maximum number of employees per shift: _____

48. Describe end products:

49. Describe waste products, including nonhazardous and hazardous waste:

50. Method of nonhazardous and hazardous waste disposal:

51. Do operations require any pressurized tanks?

Yes No If yes, describe

52. Will delivery or shipment trucks travel through residential areas to reach the nearest highway?

Yes No. If yes, describe.

53. Other project or site condition information:

Owner / Applicant / Agent Application Certification (Certificación del Solicitante, Agente o Dueño/a)

By my signature below, I hereby understand and certify the following:

1. I understand that the environmental review associated with the submittal of this form is preliminary, and that after further evaluation, additional information, reports, studies, applications or fees may be required.
2. I understand that, whether or not my application is approved or denied, there may be a partial or no refund of fees paid, and;
3. I understand that submitting inaccurate or incomplete information may result in delays or the denial of my application, and;
4. I certify that the information provided in this form, including attachments, is accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

CHECK ONE: Owner Applicant
 Agent

Archaeological Statement (Declaración Arqueológico)

Under the discretion of the Dept. of Regional Planning, proposed projects may be forwarded to the Archeological Information Center for consultation regarding potential impacts to historical and cultural resources, in order to assure the protection and preservation of Los Angeles County’s historic and archeological resources. This review requires a nominal processing fee which will be billed directly to the applicant by Cal-State University. By my signature below, I understand this process and possible additional fees.

SIGNATURE (BLUE INK): _____

DATE: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

CHECK ONE: Owner Applicant
 Agent