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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

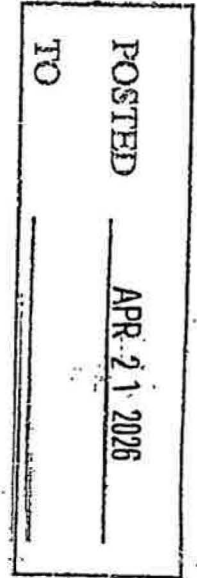
Final Approval Date: December 9, 2025
Case No.: 2019-018087ENV
Project Title: Blue Heron Lake Boatshed Replacement Project
Golden Gate Park, San Francisco

Zoning: P (Public)
 OS (Open Space) Height and Bulk District

Block/Lot: 1700/001
Lot Size: 1,000 acres

Lead Agency: San Francisco Planning Department
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Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Guidelines of the Secretary for Resources, and San Francisco requirements, this Notice of Exemption is transmitted to you for filing. At the end of the posting period, please return this Notice to the Staff Contact with a notation of the period it was posted.

Attached fee: \$84 filing fee

Project Description

The project proposes demolishing the existing 3,000-square-foot boat storage shed and foundations east of Bird Island in Blue Heron Lake (formerly Stow Lake). The existing shed has 48 4x4 piers that were driven approximately 3 feet into the sediment below the lake. Demolition would require piers to be cut at lake base but would not be removed from lakebed. The project would construct a replacement structure that would be larger in size (6,048 square feet). The structure would be placed in the same general location as the current shed and would have a foundation consisting of 40 8-inch diameter piers driven approximately 9 feet into the

sediment below the lake. The estimated volume of excavation would be approximately 7 cubic yards. The project would remove up to 6 trees.

Determination

The City and County of San Francisco decided to carry out or approve the project on November 6, 2025 when the Planning Department issued a Categorical Exemption. A copy of the documents may be examined at the Planning Department, 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA, 94103 in file no. 2019-018087ENV.

- 1. An Exemption from Environmental Review has been prepared pursuant to the provisions of CEQA under:
 - 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. Section 15302; Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction
 - Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____
 - Community Plan Exemption (Sec. 21083.3; 15183)

- 2. This project has been determined to be exempt from environmental review because Planning staff has concluded that it qualifies for the above-referenced categorical exemption, would result in no archaeological impacts, and will be subject to the Recreation and Park Department’s Standard Construction Measures for sensitive biological resources. In addition, the project does not trigger any of the exceptions that would preclude the use of a categorical exemption.

- 3. This notice is being issued during the suspension of certain CEQA posting requirements pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31 requirements. This notice complies with local requirements under the March 23, 2020, Fifth Supplement to the Mayoral Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency dated February 25, 2020.

Sarah Dennis Phillips
Planning Director

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By Lisa Gibson
Environmental Review Officer

4/20/2026

Date

cc: Omar Davis, Project Manager Recreation and Park Department
Supervisor Melgar, District 7

