



LIC-4013-FORM

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Please provide detailed responses with as much information as possible. If more space is needed, additional pages may be added. Missing, incomplete, or inconsistent information may delay the processing of your Annual License Application.

Date (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Lead Agency: City of Los Angeles - Department of Cannabis Regulation

DCR Record No.: _____

Applicant Entity Name: _____

License Type(s): _____

Business Premises Location: _____

County: Los Angeles Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): _____

Council District: _____ Neighborhood Council: _____

Community Plan Area: _____

Zoning: _____ Specific Plan Area: _____

General Plan Land Use: _____ Redevelopment Project Area: _____

Business Improvement District: _____ Promise Zone: _____

State Enterprise Zone: _____ Historic Preservation Review: _____

LAPD Division/Station: _____ LAFD District/Fire Station: _____

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Categorical Exemption Evaluation Form

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Please provide detailed responses. If more space is needed, additional pages may be added. Missing, incomplete, or inconsistent information may delay the processing of your Annual License Application.

Project Description: *Insert project description information or reference where this information is located.*

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the applicant to provide a detailed project description. The background of the page features a large, faint watermark of the Department of Cannabis Regulation logo, which includes a stylized cannabis leaf and the text "DEPARTMENT OF CANNABIS REGULATION" and "LOS ANGELES".

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Class 1: Existing Facilities

1. Is the project site currently operating as a cannabis activity site or a similar use, or has it recently operated for this purpose? Yes No

Provide details of current or prior operation(s). Cite source(s) of information.



2. Does the project involve an expansion of existing structures that would be considered negligible or no expansion of existing or former use? (If no, skip to Question 6) Yes No

Provide expansion details, if applicable. Cite source(s) of information.



3. Project Expansion: _____
Size of expansion in square feet: _____

Cite source(s) of information.

- a. Would the expansion be less than or equal to 2,500 square feet or 50 percent of the floor area before expansion? (If yes, skip to Question 6.) Yes No

Cite source(s) of information.

- b. Would the expansion be more than 2,500 square feet or 50 percent of the floor area before expansion? (If yes, skip to Question 4.) Yes No

Cite source(s) of information.

- c. Would the expansion be greater than 10,000 square feet? Yes No

Cite source(s) of information.

4. Is the project site served by all public services sufficient to serve the project (e.g., water, sewer, electricity, gas)? Yes No

Describe which public services serve the project site. Cite source(s) of information.

5. Is there evidence that the project site is located in an environmentally sensitive area? Yes No

Describe the environmentally sensitive area (if applicable). Cite source(s) of information, if available.



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6. Does the project require a water right permit or another environmental permit that could result in physical changes to the environment? (If yes, see instructions.) Yes No

List permits required and any potential physical changes that could occur. Cite source(s) of information.



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7. Does the project require demolition and removal of individual small structures (e.g., one single-family residence, a duplex or similar multifamily structure, a store, motel or restaurant or accessory structures)? Yes No

Describe size of structure to be demolished and location.



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Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction

1. Does the project involve the replacement or reconstruction of an existing structure on the same site as the structure being replaced or reconstructed? Yes No

Describe both the existing structure and replacement structure, including the location on the site. Cite source(s) of information.



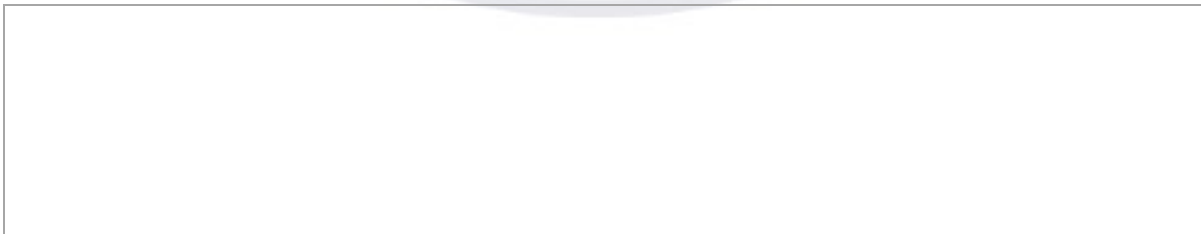
2. Would the new structure have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the existing structure? Yes No

Provide information on the purpose of both the existing and replacement structures to ensure they are the same. Cite source(s) of information.



3. Does the project require a water right permit or another environmental permit that could result in physical changes to the environment? (If yes, see instructions.) Yes No

List permits required and any potential physical changes that could occur. Cite source(s) of information.



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Class 3: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

1. Does the project involve the conversion of existing small structures including only minor modifications, or the installation of small equipment and facilities in small structures? Yes No

Provide information regarding the nature of modifications to existing small structures, if applicable. Cite source(s) of information.



2. Does the project involve the construction of new small structures? Yes No

Provide information regarding the size and purpose of the proposed new structures, if applicable. Cite source(s) of information.



Please check instructions for directions on how to proceed, based on answers to Questions 1 and 2.

3. Is the project within an urbanized area? (If no, skip to [Question 9](#).) Yes No

Cite source(s) of information.



FOR SITES IN URBANIZED AREAS

4. Does the project involve the construction of four or fewer structures totaling 10,000 square feet or less? Yes No

Provide information regarding size of new structure(s), if applicable. Cite source(s) of information.

5. Is the parcel zoned for the proposed use? Yes No

Cite source(s) of information.

6. Does the project involve the use of significant amounts of hazardous substances? Yes No

Provide details of any hazardous substances used including amount of product(s), if applicable. Cite source(s) of information.

7. Are all necessary public services and facilities available to the project? Yes No

List all services and facilities provided. Cite source(s) of information.

8. Do either the project site or the surrounding lands contain a sensitive environmental area? (If no, skip to [Question 11.](#)) Yes No

Provide information on the nature of any sensitive environmental areas. Cite source(s) of information, if available.

FOR SITES NOT IN URBANIZED AREAS

9. Does the project involve the construction of a single structure totaling 2,500 square feet or less? Yes No

Provide information regarding size of new structure, if applicable. Cite source(s) of information.



10. Does the project involve the use of significant amounts of hazardous substances? Yes No

Provide list of any hazardous substances used, including amount of product(s), if applicable and available. Cite source(s) of information.



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11. Does the project require a water right permit or another environmental permit that could result in physical changes to the environment? (If yes, see instructions.) Yes No

List permits required and any potential physical changes that could occur. Cite source(s) of information.



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Class 4: Minor Alterations to Land

1. Does the project involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees (except for forestry and agricultural purposes)? Yes No

Provide details, if needed. Cite source(s) of information.

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2. Does the project involve alterations to land, water, or vegetation that would be considered minor? Yes No

Provide details, if needed. Cite source(s) of information.



3. Would the alterations consist of grading on lands of 10 percent slope or steeper? Yes No

Provide details, if needed. Cite source(s) of information.



4. Would the alterations consist of grading in an area determined to be a wetland? Yes No

Cite source(s) of information.



5. Would the alterations consist of grading in a scenic area officially designated by a federal, state, or local agency? Yes No

Provide name of scenic area (if applicable). Cite source(s) of information.

6. Would the alterations consist of grading in an officially mapped area of severe geologic hazard, such as an Alquist- Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone, or within an official Seismic Hazard Zone designated by the State Geologist? Yes No

Provide the name of the zone (if applicable). Cite source(s) of information.

7. Does the project require a water right permit or another environmental permit that could result in physical changes to the environment? (If yes, see instructions.) Yes No

List permits required and any potential physical changes that could occur. Cite source(s) of information.

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Class 11: Accessory Structures

1. Does the project include the construction or placement of accessory structures? Yes No

Describe new and/or replacement accessory structures. Cite source(s) of information.



2. Does the project require a water right permit or another environmental permit that could result in physical changes to the environment? (If yes, see instructions.) Yes No

List permits required and any potential physical changes that could occur. Cite source(s) of information.



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Class 32: Infill Development Projects

1. Is the project consistent with the general plan designation, all applicable general plan policies, and zoning designation and regulations for the site? Yes No

Cite source(s) of information.

2. Project Size and Location
- a. Is the project site 5 acres in size or less? Yes No

Indicate the size of the project site, in acres. Cite source(s) of information.

- b. Is the project site substantially surrounded by urban uses? Yes No

Describe the uses of the surrounding properties. Cite source(s) of information.

3. Does the project site have value as habitat for endangered, rare, or threatened species? Yes No

Describe any habitat for endangered, rare, or threatened species identified on or near the project site (if applicable). Cite source(s) of information.

4. Would the project have significant impacts related to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality? Yes No

Describe potential impact(s) and evidence (if applicable). Cite source(s) of information.



5. Can the project site be adequately served by all required utilities and public services? Yes No

Describe which utilities and public services serve the project site. Cite source(s) of information.



6. Does the project require a water right permit or another environmental permit that could result in physical changes to the environment? (If yes, see instructions.) Yes No

List permits required and any potential physical changes that could occur. Cite source(s) of information.



Exceptions to Exemptions

1. Scenic Highways

- a. Is the project visible from an official State Scenic Highway? Yes No

*List State Scenic Highway(s) from which the project is visible (if applicable).
Cite source(s) of information.*

- b. If yes, would the project result in damage to scenic resources? Yes No

*Describe scenic resources and potential damage (if applicable). Cite source(s)
of information.*

2. Is the project located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Government Code § 65962.5 (Cortese List)? Yes No

Describe the type of hazardous site (if applicable). Cite source(s) of information.

3. Would the project result in a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource? Yes No

*List the historic resource(s) potentially affected and describe the potential effects
(if applicable). Cite source(s) of information.*

4. **Is there evidence of the potential for the project to contribute to a significant cumulative impact?** Yes No

Describe the potential cumulative impact(s) and evidence (if applicable). Cite source(s) of information.

5. **Is there evidence of a reasonable possibility of a significant environmental impact due to unusual circumstances?** Yes No

Describe the potential impact(s), circumstances, and evidence (if applicable). Cite source(s) of information.

6. **Would the project impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern?** Yes No

Provide details, if needed. Cite source(s) of information.

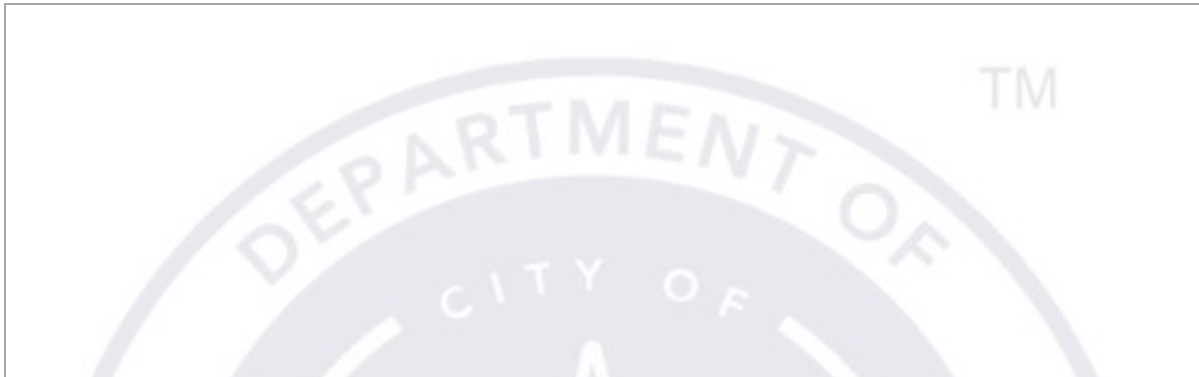
7. **Does the project involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees (except for forestry and agricultural purposes)?** Yes No

Provide details, if needed. Cite source(s) of information.

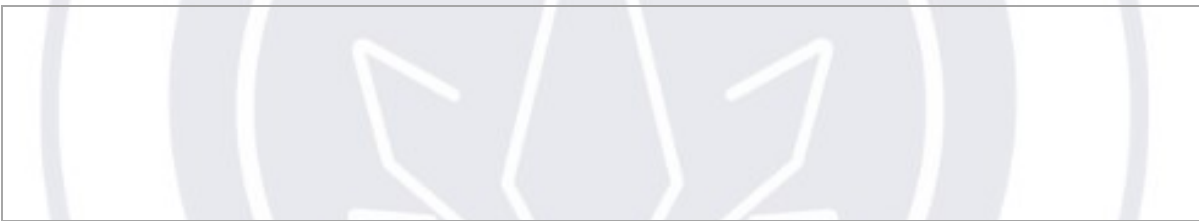
CEQA Exemption Petition

Class: _____ Category: _____

Explanation of how the project fits the CEQA exemption indicated above:



1. Source(s) of Information: Identify Sources: *Indicate the document(s) or other sources of information reviewed to complete this form.*

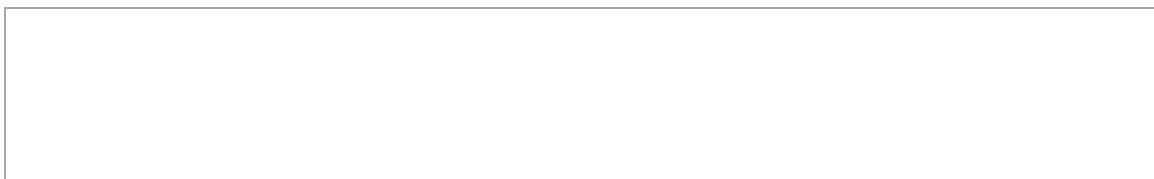


2. Project Location and Surrounding Land Use.

(a) Describe Project Location: *Provide detailed information about the project location and any other physical description that clearly indicates the project site location.*



(b) Existing Land Uses/Zoning: *Describe the current land uses on the project site and any existing buildings and structures. Describe the surrounding land uses and zoning designations within a one-half mile radius of the project and list all abutting land uses.*



- (c) **Previous Use:** Describe the previous use of the Project site or facility, if known. Include an estimate of the time such previous operations ceased, if such information is available.

- (d) Was the site previously used for a similar use? The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use.

- (e) **Maps to be Included:** *Provide a vicinity map and aerial image to show the project location. Include photographs, not larger than 8½ by 11 inches, of existing visual conditions as observed from publicly accessible vantage point(s).*

3. Project Operations/Description. Provide the following information about project operation and maintenance activities. If more than one type of cannabis activity is occurring on-site, provide a description of the project operations for each activity. This should include the following relevant information.

- (a) **Activities Occurring Onsite:** *Describe the activities included in the project application and identify any other commercial cannabis activity or activities occurring at the proposed premises, including other proposed cannabis activities occurring on the property. Describe the cannabis business operation methods and activities (e.g. cultivation methods, manufacturing and/or distribution operations).*

- (b) Cannabis Operation Activities Owned by the Same or Different Businesses: *Describe any additional cannabis operation activities existing or proposed either owned by the same or different businesses on the property.*

- (c) Project Size: *Quantify the project size (total floor area of the project), and the lot size on which the project is located, in square feet.*

- (d) State License: *Identify whether the applicant is licensed by, or has applied for licensure from, the California Department of Cannabis Control to engage in commercial cannabis activity at the proposed premises.*

- (e) Hours of Operation/Work Shifts: *Identify the hours of operation/work shifts for the project.*

- (f) Number of employees (total and by shift): *Estimate the number of anticipated employees onsite and occupancy during operating hours.*

- (g) **Estimated Daily Trip Generation:** *Estimate the frequency of deliveries or shipments originating from and/or arriving to the project site. Identify the approximate number of vehicle trips per day to be generated by the project and information regarding the days and times most trips are expected to occur.*

- (h) **Source(s) of Water:** *Name all sources of water, and indicate whether a new or amended water right must be obtained from the State Water Resources Control Board.*

- (i) **Wastewater Treatment Facilities:** *Describe the facilities for treatment of wastewater (e.g., leach field, City wastewater collection facilities).*

4. Environmental Setting:

- (a) Describe natural characteristics on the project site:

- (b) General Topographic Features (slopes and other features):

- (c) Natural characteristics (general vegetation types, drainage, soil stability, habitat, etc.):

- (d) Identify whether there are any watercourses and riparian habitats within 150- feet of the proposed premises (e.g., drainage swales, stream courses, springs, ponds, lakes, creeks, tributary of creeks, wetlands):

- (e) Identify whether the property contains natural features of scenic value of rare or unique characteristics (e.g., rock outcroppings, mature trees):

- (f) Identify whether the property has any historic designations or archeological remains onsite:

- (g) Identify whether the property contains habitat for special status species:

- (h) Identify the location, type, and quantity of hazardous materials, as defined by Health and Safety Code section 25260, that are stored, used, or disposed of at the project site and a copy of the Hazardous Material Business Plan (HMBP) prepared for the proposed premises, if any:

- (i) Discuss whether the project will increase the quantity and type of solid waste, as defined by Public Resources Code section 40191, or hazardous waste, as defined by Health and Safety Code section 25117, that is generated or stored onsite:

- ① Describe the project's anticipated operational energy needs, identify the source of energy supplied for the project and the anticipated amount of energy per day, and explain whether the project will require an increase in energy demand and the need for additional energy resource:

5. Explain whether any of the project activities will expand the existing footprint of the proposed facility beyond the current structural or parcel boundaries, increase the amount of impervious surface, or reduce any natural habitat. If the project is part of a larger project, attach a separate sheet to briefly describe the larger project.

6. Environmental Commitments: *List any environmental commitments agreed to by the applicant to the protection of biological or cultural resources, energy efficiency, water efficiency, noise abatement, lighting, or other aspects of the project that may reduce impacts on the environment.*

7. Other Relevant CEQA Information: *Submit any other relevant CEQA documentation or information that will assist the Department in determining CEQA compliance (e.g., any environmental impact analysis prepared by a consultant).*

8. Permits Required: *List all other required federal, state, and local permits required, including, but not limited to, all entitlements required for this project by a planning commission, local air district, or regional water board. Identify whether the commercial cannabis business(es) is licensed by or has applied for licensure from the Department, or one of the prior state cannabis licensing authorities:*

- California Department of Cannabis Control
- Los Angeles Fire Department
- Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- State Water Resources Control Board / Regional Water Quality Control Board
- County of Los Angeles Public Health Permit
- Local Air District
- Streambed Alteration Agreement
- Water quality protection program
- Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
- Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation



Partial List of Categorical Exemptions under CEQA

Certain commercial cannabis activities (projects) may be exempt from further environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because they fall within a class of projects determined not to have significant effect on the environment. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15300 et seq.) Common exemptions that may apply have been identified below.

Class	Category	Description
Class 1	Existing Facilities	Consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15301.)
Class 2	Replacement or Reconstruction	Consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced with a new structure of substantially the same size, purpose, and capacity. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15302.)
Class 3	New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures	Consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15303.)
Class 4	Minor Alterations to Land	Consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15304.)
Class 11	Accessory Structures	Consists of construction, or placement of minor structures accessory to (appurtenant to) existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15311.)
Class 32	In-Fill Development Projects	Consists of projects characterized as in-fill development meeting the conditions described in Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15332.