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37-12/15/2025-1005

STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

2018101037

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LEAD AGENCY

CITY OF SAN DIEGO CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

DATE

12/15/2025

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING

SAN DIEGO

DOCUMENT NUMBER

2025-NOD-0152

PROJECT TITLE

UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

CITY OF SAN DIEGO, TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

GJohansen@sandiego.gov

PHONE NUMBER

858-541-4330

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

9370 CHESAPEAKE DRIVE, SUITE 100 MS 1900

CITY

SAN DIEGO

STATE

CA

ZIP CODE

92123

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency

☐ School District

☐ Other Special District

☐ State Agency

☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☒ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

\$4,123 50

\$

4,123 50

☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)/(ND)

\$2,968 75

\$

0 00

☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW

\$1,401 75

\$

0 00

☐ Exempt from fee

☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)

☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)

\$850 00

\$

0 00

☒ County documentary handling fee

\$

50 00

☐ Other

\$

0 00

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash

☐ Credit

☒ Check

☐ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED

\$

4,173 50

SIGNATURE

x *[Signature]*

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

San Diego County Clerk, SILVIA LUNA, Deputy

Payment Reference #: CK# 0002091913



SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

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Complete and attach this form to each CEQA Notice filed with the County Clerk
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Project Title

UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM

Check Document being Filed:

- ☒ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- ☐ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- ☐ Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- ☐ Other (Please fill in type):

**FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SAN DIEGO
COUNTY CLERK ON** December 15, 2025
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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To: X Recorder/County Clerk
 P.O. Box 1750, MS A33
 1600 Pacific Hwy, Room 260
 San Diego, CA 92101-2422

From: City of San Diego
 City Planning Department
 202 C Street, Floor 5, MS 413
 San Diego, CA 92101

X Office of Planning And Research
 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
 Sacramento, CA 95814

PROJECT NUMBER: N/A

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2018101037

PROJECT TITLE: Utilities Undergrounding Program

PROJECT LOCATION: Citywide

DESCRIPTION OF ACTION: The City of San Diego (City) Transportation Department is implementing the Utilities Undergrounding Program (Project) to systematically convert overhead utility lines, including power distribution lines, telephone lines, cable lines, and other communications lines, to underground within City limits. It does not include electric transmission lines, which are regulated by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). The City began undergrounding utility lines in 1970. More than 400 miles of overhead utilities have been converted to underground, with approximately 1,000 miles of overhead utility lines remaining. As a result, the Project is expected to continue for many years. The overall Project is governed by the CPUC, Council Policy 600-08, and the San Diego Municipal Code. The City's Utilities Undergrounding Program Master Plan (Master Plan), developed in 2003 and last updated in 2018, guides future work of the Project. The Master Plan is the governing document for how the Project will execute its future work. The Master Plan outlines the geographic boundary, estimated cost, and other parameters for future undergrounding projects to be implemented under the Project. The goals of the master plan are to align with Council Policy 600-08 for the Project, improve planning efficiency and accuracy, prioritize projects with the greatest public benefit, reduce neighborhood impact, and simplify the public interface with the Project.

For the purposes of this PEIR, the term "district" defines the geographic boundary within which an undergrounding project would be constructed; as such, the site boundaries of a utility undergrounding "district" are the same as that of an "undergrounding project." The term "undergrounding project" constitutes an overhead alignment to be undergrounded/constructed. Each undergrounding project then consists of multiple individual "utilities" (i.e., specific pole and trench locations). Under the master plan, each undergrounding project was assigned a ranking indicating when it would be undergrounded, along with a corresponding cost estimate. In 2009, the Master Plan was updated using geographic information system software, which allowed for a more detailed analysis of projects and provided similar details to those in the 2003 master plan. The master plan was updated again in 2018 to provide new cost and schedule estimates and create a new methodology for communicating more realistic cost and schedule information. This 2018 master plan takes unallocated projects from the 2009 master plan and divides them into smaller, more manageable projects. Due to the discontinuation of the CPUC Rule 20A program, the boundaries of Surcharge projects as currently delineated in the 2018 master plan will be revised to incorporate, in part or in whole, adjacent former Rule 20A projects.

The proposed activities under the Project would consist of the systematic conversion of overhead utilities to underground throughout the City. The implementation of proposed activities would occur based on a prioritization system developed by the City and would be implemented as individual districts become ready for creation and as funding allows. The process to deliver an undergrounding project under the Project is a collaborative effort between the City and the utility companies that consists of a five-stage process. The district creation stage creates an overlay that restricts utility companies from installing new aboveground utility lines within each district boundary. The design stage generally takes 12 to 24 months to complete. The preconstruction activities stage provides property owners a letter and "Permission to Enter" form authorizing permission for crews to perform construction that is necessary for connection to the new underground utility service. The undergrounding construction stage is made up of four phases: trenching/boring and conduit installation, cabling and connection, cut-overs, removal of overhead equipment and poles, and post-undergrounding improvements. The post-undergrounding improvements stage follows the City's Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction, providing street restoration that follows the City's Street Preservation Ordinance. Please refer to Chapter 3, "Project Description," of the PEIR for a detailed description of the activities associated with each stage of the undergrounding process.

PROJECT APPLICANT: City of San Diego, Transportation Department, Right-of-Way Management, 9370 Chesapeake Drive, Suite 100, MS 1900, San Diego, CA 92123. Contact: Ana Legy Del Rincon, (858) 541-4330.

This is to advise that the City of San Diego City Council on DEC 08 2025 approved the above described project and made the following determinations: R-316525

1. The project in its approved form X will, ___ will not, have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Program Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project and was certified pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures X were, ___ were not, made a condition of the approval of the project, and a Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Program X was, ___ was not, adopted for the project.
4. Findings X were, ___ were not, made pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15091.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations X was, ___ was not, adopted for this project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15093.
6. A record of project approval may be examined at the address below.

It is hereby certified that the Final Program Environmental Impact Report, including comments and responses, is available to the general public for review on the City of San Diego's California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) website: www.sandiego.gov/ceqa/final. All other records are available to the public for review at the office of the City Planning Department, 202 C St., Floor 5, MS 413, San Diego, CA 92101.

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Filed by:

Connie Patterson
Signature

Legislative Recorder #
Title

Reference: California Public Resources Code, Sections 21108 and 21152



San Diego County



Transaction #: 8792961
Receipt #: 2025482452

JORDAN Z. MARKS

Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk
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P. O. Box 121750, San Diego, CA 92112-1750
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Cashier Date: 12/15/2025
Cashier Location: SD

Print Date: 12/15/2025 12:09 pm

Payment Summary

Total Fees	\$4,173.50
Total Payments	\$4,173.50
Balance:	\$0.00

Payment

CHECK PAYMENT #CK# 0002091913 \$4,173.50

Total Payments \$4,173.50

Filing

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Fees:	Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee	\$50.00
Fees:	Fish & Wildlife Environmental Impact Report	\$4,123.50
Total Fees Due:		\$4,173.50

Grand Total - All Documents: \$4,173.50