

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:

Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate
Innovation, State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812

FROM:

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street, 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2024050525

PROJECT NUMBER: 3010041-001C

PROJECT TITLE: LCWA Watermain Lining Project (Project)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located along a 0.75-mile segment of 1st Street beginning at its intersection with East Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) on the west side and includes Los Cerritos Wetlands and Hellman Ranch to the east, in the City of Seal Beach, within Orange County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is funding the Project referred to internally as LCWA Watermain Lining Project. The Project includes the rehabilitation of approximately 4,000 linear feet (ft.) of 18-inch diameter watermain. The watermain will be rehabilitated in place by using cured in-place pipe (CIPP) liner methods. Installation of the CIPP lining will require the excavation of pits to access the existing 18-inch watermain. Nine pit locations have been identified along the existing watermain throughout the Project site. The dimensions of each access pit will be approximately seven ft. by 12 ft. The work area at each pit site is anticipated to be approximately 20 ft. by 50 ft. Access pits will be backfilled at the end of Project's completion, hydroseeded, and restored to as near pre-construction contours as possible.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT AND CARRYING OUT PROJECT: The State Water Board has approved financing for the Project described above on May 28, 2026 and determined that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The City of Seal Beach will be carrying out the Project.

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION STATUS:

Class 1: Existing Facilities

(California Code of Regulations, title 14, division 6, chapter 3, article 19, section 15301)

REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The Project has been determined to meet the requirements of the exemption selected above and will not have a significant impact on water quality. The Project involves repair and minor alteration of existing public structures, facilities, and topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

LEAD AGENCY: City of Seal Beach

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Iris Lee

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Records of the financing approval for the Project is available to the general public at the State Water Board, Division of Financial Assistance at 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. Pursuant to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Code, Section 711.4(d)(1), the CDFW environmental review filing fees do not apply to exempt projects.

Signature: _____

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