

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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County Assessor/Recorder/Clerk
Attn: Fish and Wildlife Notices
1600 Pacific Highway, Suite 260, MS A-33
San Diego, CA 92101

FROM: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works
Environmental Services Unit
Attn: Annisa Busch
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, MS O-332
San Diego, CA 92123

SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152

Project Name: **ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LIST OF PROJECTS PROPOSED TO BE FUNDED BY SENATE BILL 1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 AND RELATED CEQA EXEMPTION (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

Project Location: Countywide, County of San Diego

Project Applicant: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works
5510 Overland Avenue., Suite 370, San Diego, CA 92123

Project Description: To adopt a resolution approving a list of projects proposed to be funded by Senate Bill 1 (SB1) for fiscal year 2025-2026 in which the list will then be submitted to California Transportation Commission (CTC) by July 1, 2025. SB1 provides gas tax revenues to counties and cities to maintain local streets and roads. Since receiving this funding there has been significant improvement to the County's resurfacing projects with bringing the current Pavement Condition Index (PCI) from 60 to 69.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

County Contact Person: Samir Nuhaily Telephone: 619-507-7754

Date Form Completed: May 21, 2025

This is to advise that the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors (County decision-making body) has approved the above-described project on May 21, 2025 (#4) and found the project to be exempt from CEQA under the following criteria:

Exempt status and applicable section of the CEQA ("C") and/or State CEQA Guidelines ("G"): (check only one)

- Categorical Exemption:** Sec. G 15301 – Existing Facilities
- Declared Emergency:** Sec. C 21080(b)(3); Sec. G 15269(a)
- Emergency Project:** Sec. C 21080(b)(4); Sec. G 15269(b)(c)
- General:** Sec. C.
- Ministerial:** Sec. C 21080(b)(1); G 15268
- Preliminary Review:** Sec. G
- Statutory Exemption:** Sec. G

Statement of reasons why project is exempt: Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines exempts from CEQA review 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 existing or former use." This exemption includes the maintenance of existing highways, streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle, and pedestrian trails. The key consideration in determining whether this exemption applies is whether the project involves "negligible or no expansion of existing or former use." This action consists of approving a list of projects proposed to be funded by Senate Bill 1 (SB1) for Fiscal Year 2025-26. These projects are asphalt concrete and slurry seal road resurfacing projects and associated culvert and pedestrian ramp work within existing County-maintained roadways. The project includes activities that are necessary to ensure existing right-of-way facilities continue to function as designed. Therefore, the project is categorically exempt in accordance with Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines because it involves the maintenance of existing public roads involving no or negligible expansion of existing use.

The following is to be completed only upon formal project approval by the appropriate County of San Diego decision-making body.

Signature:  Telephone: (619) 415-920

Name (Print): Emily Roberts Title: Land Use / Environmental Planner III

This Notice of Exemption has been signed and filed by the County of San Diego.

This notice must be filed with the Recorder/County Clerk as soon as possible after project approval by the decision-making body. The Recorder/County Clerk must post this notice within 24 hours of receipt and for a period of not less than 30 days. At the termination of the posting period, the Recorder/County Clerk must return this notice to the Department address listed above along with evidence of the posting period. The originating Department must then retain the returned notice for a period of not less than nine months. Reference: CEQA Guidelines Section 15062.