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37-05/23/2025-0384

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LEAD AGENCY

SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

DATE

05/23/2025

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING

SAN DIEGO

DOCUMENT NUMBER

37-2025-0384

PROJECT TITLE

SITE ACCESS FOR PHASE II SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION BY PARTNER ESI AT MARINE GROUP BOAT WORKS FACILITY AND ON DISTRICT TIDELANDS

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

MARINE GROUP BOAT WORKS LLC

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

PHONE NUMBER

619-427-6767

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

997 G STREET

CITY

CHULA VISTA

STATE

CA

ZIP CODE

91910

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

\$

0.00

☐ 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

\$

50.00

SIGNATURE

X

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

San Diego County Clerk, ELVA STOPKE, Deputy

Payment Reference #: VITALCHEK: 202453535/092454



**SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET**

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May 23, 2025 09:15 AM
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SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
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TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Project Title

**SITE ACCESS FOR PHASE II SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION BY PARTNER ESI
AT MARINE GROUP BOAT WORKS FACILITY AND ON DISTRICT TIDELANDS**

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):

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Notice of Exemption**CEQA Guidelines Appendix E**

To: ■ San Diego County Recorder/County Clerk
1600 Pacific Highway, Suite 260
San Diego, CA 92101-2480

From: ■ San Diego Unified Port District
Development Services Department
3165 Pacific Highway
San Diego, CA 92101

Project Title: Site Access for Phase II Subsurface Investigation by Partner ESI at Marine Group Boat Works Facility and on District Tidelands

Project Applicant: Todd Roberts, President, Marine Group Boat Works, LLC, 997 G Street, Chula Vista, CA 91910; (619) 427-6767

Project Location – Specific: 997 G Street, Chula Vista, CA 91910

Project location – City: Chula Vista

Project Location – County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The proposed project would allow for a Phase II Subsurface Investigation by Partner Engineering and Science, Inc. (Licensee), as contracted by Marine Group Boat Works, LLC (Tenant), in the city of Chula Vista, California. Activities associated with the investigation would include, but not be limited to, a geophysical survey and sample borings to help evaluate the potential impact of petroleum hydrocarbons, volatile organic compounds (VOCs), PCBs, and/or metals to soil, sediment, groundwater, and/or soil gas as a consequence of a release, or releases, from the on-site activities and known off-site impacts. Additionally, the proposed project would include polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon (PAH) analysis, as PAHs have been previously identified as a contaminant in the Tenant and surrounding parcels.

Sample borings would be collected to facilitate the collection and analysis of soil, groundwater, and/or soil gas samples, and the collection of one (1) offshore sediment sample. Boring placement is proposed at three (3) primary areas of concern throughout the proposed project site, which would include locations on both the Tenant leasehold and the adjacent marshland on San Diego Unified District (District) property:

- The hazardous material storage area (Tenant leasehold)
- The stormwater ponds/containment area (Tenant leasehold)
- Along the southern and eastern boundary of the property (District Tidelands)

Approximately twelve (12) subsurface borings would be carried out across the locations listed above, which would consist of the following at each respective location:

- Four (4) borings to a depth of up to approximately ten (10) feet below ground surface (bgs)
- Three (3) borings to a depth of up to approximately five (5) feet bgs
- Five (5) borings to a depth of up to approximately five (5) feet bgs

The proposed project is anticipated to occur in Spring 2025 and would take approximately one (1) month to complete. Work to collect the sample borings would take up to two (2) days, and would be performed during the normal work hours of approximately 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Boring placement may be modified as necessary. Borings would be drilled using hand tools, such as hand augers, and direct-push technology, such as a truck-mounted drill rig; no additional special equipment would be required for the proposed project. Borings would be backfilled with bentonite to the surface and capped with concrete, asphalt, and/or soil to match the surrounding ground cover.

Sampling procedures would generally conform to the requirements of the SWRCB, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the San Diego County Department of Environmental Health and Quality (DEHQ), and the

United States Environmental Protection Agency. A completed application and site plan would be submitted for review and approval of the necessary Boring Permit from the DEHQ.

Due to the proposed project's occurrence within the bird breeding and nesting season (February 15-September 15), a nesting bird survey was conducted on May 21, 2025, in which all habitat areas east of the Tenant leasehold were surveyed. Surveyors identified three (3) species transiting the area:

- Song sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*)
- House finch (*Haemorrhous mexicanus*)
- Common yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*)

Two (2) common yellowthroat nests were identified in the nearby coyote bush, approximately 60 feet from the easternmost proposed boring location, approximately 100 feet from the northernmost location, and approximately 300 feet from the westernmost. No special status species were seen during the survey. To avoid any impacts on the identified nests, new boring locations shall be selected so there are no nests within 300 feet. If equipment is limited to hand augers, the distance may be reduced following discussions with the District. It is recommended the equipment used at the boring locations east of the Tenant leasehold be limited to hand augers, rather than a truck-mounted drill rig. Additionally, personnel should avoid walking through the dense habitat and stay on the existing footpaths throughout the project site.

The proposed project would also include issuance of a Right of Entry (ROE) to allow the Licensee to enter the project site on the Tenant leasehold, as well as the three (3) locations adjacent to the Tenant leasehold on District Tidelands. The area proposed for use under this ROE would be used by the Licensee and their authorized agent(s) and contractor(s) for the sole purpose of clearing boreholes of utility lines through a geophysical survey, drilling three (3) borings at locations outside of the Tenant leasehold, as well as the ingress and egress in support of these activities. It is anticipated that the ROE would have a total term of approximately one (1) month, or upon completion of the work, whichever occurs earlier. The ROE may be terminated by the District as a matter of right and without cause at any time upon providing twenty-four (24) hours' written notice to the Licensee of such termination.

Due to its nature and limited scope, construction of the proposed project would generate a minor amount of vehicle trips and would require limited use of equipment. Therefore, impacts related to air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, and transportation and traffic are not anticipated to occur. Furthermore, the Licensee would be responsible for complying with all applicable federal, state, and local laws regarding construction demolition debris, hazards and hazardous materials, and stormwater.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Diego Unified Port District (SDUPD)

Exempt Status: (Check one):

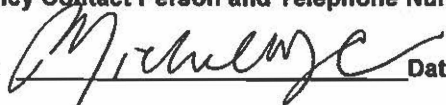
- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ **Categorical Exemption(s): Information Collection (SG § 15306) (Class 6)**
- ☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reason Why Project is Exempt: The proposed project is determined to be Categorically Exempt pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15306 (Information Collection) and Section 3.f. of the District's *Guidelines for Compliance with CEQA* because it would involve a geophysical survey and sample boring for the purpose of basic data collection and research which would not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. Additionally, while no special status species were identified on the project site during the avian survey, project design features have been incorporated to avoid any potential impacts to the avian species identified on the project site. Therefore, there would be no significant impacts or major disturbance to the biological resources on the project site. Section 3.f. of the District's *CEQA Guidelines* is as follows:

3.f. Information Collection (SG § 15306) (Class 6): Includes basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance

to an environmental resource. These may be for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which has not yet been approved, adopted or funded.

Lead Agency Contact Person and Telephone Number: Michelle Chan, (619) 686-8097

Signature:  **Date:** 5/23/2025 **Title:** Assistant Director

- ☒ Signed by Lead Agency
- ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR/Clerk:



San Diego County



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JORDAN Z. MARKS

Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk

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Cashier Date: 05/23/2025

Cashier Location: SD

Print Date: 05/23/2025 9:15 am

Payment Summary

Total Fees	\$50.00
Total Payments	\$50.00
Balance:	\$0.00

Payment

VITALCHEK PAYMENT

\$50.00

Total Payments

\$50.00

Filing

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Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee

\$50.00

Total Fees Due:

\$50.00

Grand Total - All Documents:

\$50.00