SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

FILED
Aug 14, 2025 09:46 AM
JORDAN Z. MARKS
SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
File # 2025-000675
State Receipt # 37081420250615

THIS SPACE FOR CLERK'S USE ONLY

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

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Project Title

ALDWYCH A AND WINDSOR HILLS TANKS REHABILITATION PROJECT (CIP24003)

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 August 14, 2025
Posted August 14, 2025 **Removed** _____
Returned to agency on _____
DEPUTY _____

Filing fees are due at the time a Notice of Determination/Exemption is filed with our office.For more information on filing fees and No Effect Determinations, please refer to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 753.5.

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:	FROM: (Public Agency)	
☐ Office of Planning and Research P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	Name: Address: Telephone:	Helix Water District 7811 University Ave La Mesa, CA 91942 (619) 667-6268
☒ Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or **County Clerk County of San Diego** **1600 Pacific Coast Highway** **San Diego, CA 92110**		

1. Project Title:	**Aldwych A and Windsor Hills Tanks Rehabilitation Project (CIP24003)**
2. Project Applicant:	**Helix Water District**
3. Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	Please see attached **Exhibit A** Vicinity Maps.
4. (a) Project Location – City: N/A	(b) Project Location – County of San Diego
5. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	**See Attached Exhibit "A"**
6. Name of Public Agency approving project:	Helix Water District
7. Name of Person or Agency undertaking the project, including any person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the activity or the person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the activity:	Helix Water District
8. Exempt status: (check one)	
(a) ☐ Ministerial project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines § 15268)
(b) ☐ Not a project.	State CEQA Guidelines 15050(c)(2)-(3)
(c) ☐ Declared Emergency	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(a))
(d) ☐ Emergency Project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(b),(c))
(e) ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:	**Class 1, State CEQA Guidelines §15301** (maintenance of existing facilities); and **Class 2, State CEQA Guidelines §15302** (replacement of existing facilities)
(f) ☐ Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	
(g) ☐ Other. Explanation:	
9. Reason why project was exempt:	The Project is categorically exempt under Class 1 because it consists of maintenance of existing facilities and does not include expansion of use beyond the existing

	facilities; and under Class 2 because existing appurtenances (such as the roof vents, access hatches, safety improvements will be replaced; and additionally on Aldwych A, the force-balanced flex-tends and associated piping will be replaced.

10. Lead Agency Contact Person: Telephone:	Chris McRae (619) 667-6278
11. If filed by applicant: Attach Certificate of Determination (Form "B") before filing.	
12. Was a public hearing held by the Lead Agency to consider the exemption? Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, the date of the public hearing was:	

Signature

Date: 7/25/2025

Debra Lundy
Name

Title: Senior Right of Way Agent & Environmental Analyst

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for Filing:

(Clerk Stamp Here)

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

EXHIBIT A
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

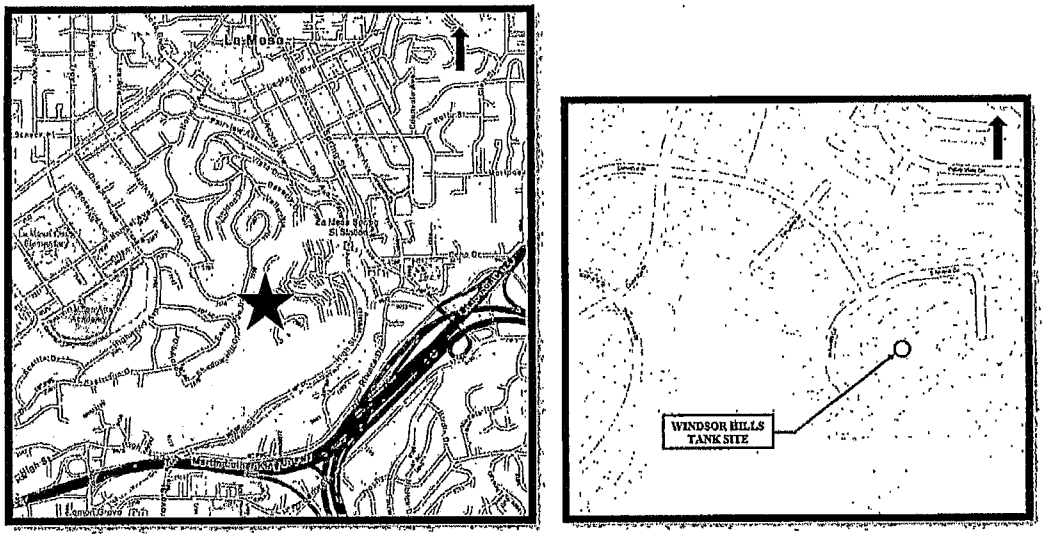
FORM "A" NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
ALDWYCH A & WINDSOR HILLS TANKS
REHABILITIATION PROJECT
(CIP24003)

Aldwych A and Windsor Hills Tanks Rehabilitation Project CIP24003 is part of the District's ongoing Tank Rehabilitation Program. The existing steel tank coating systems have exceeded their useful life and are in need of replacement to prevent corrosion-related structural damage to unprotected steel surfaces.

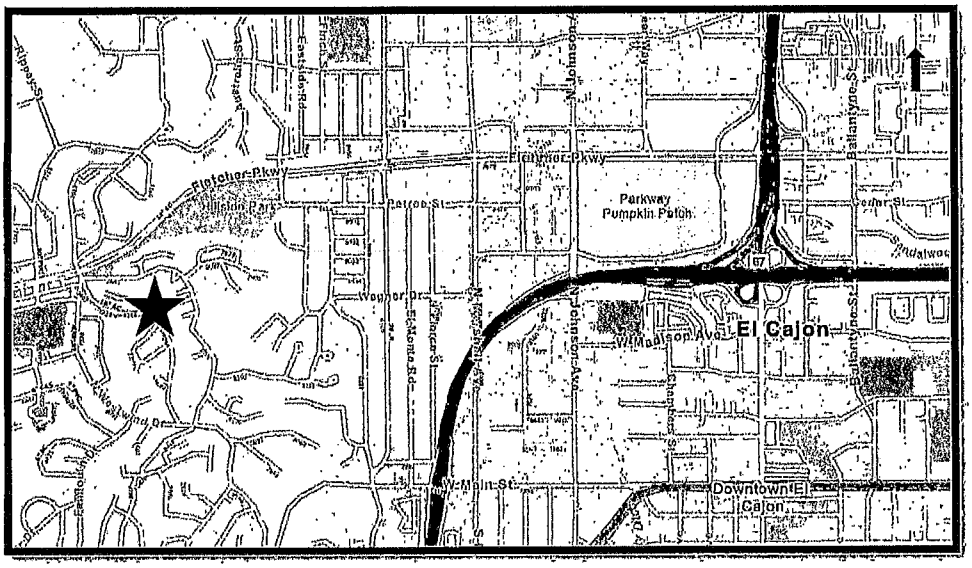
The project consists of recoating the interior and exterior surfaces, replacement of the roof vents and access hatches, and performing miscellaneous safety improvements at the Aldwych A and Windsor Hills Tanks within the cities of El Cajon and La Mesa. Additionally, the force-balanced flex-tends and associated piping at Aldwych A Tank will be replaced to conform with current seismic standards. The project has been identified as a priority project in the District's Master Plan.

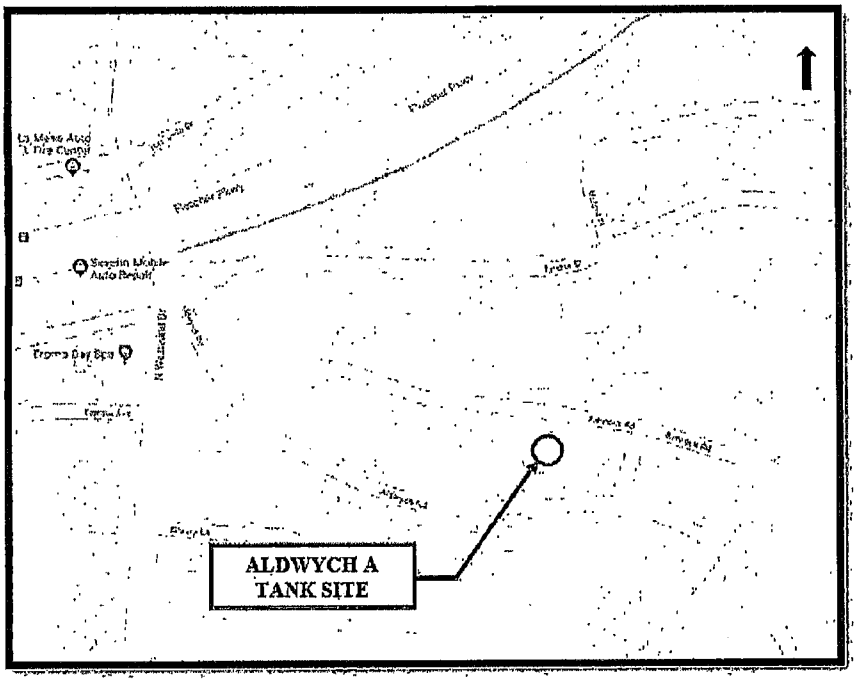
The work is anticipated to commence in October 2025 and be completed by June 2026.
This project will benefit customers in the immediate project area, as well as District customers in general, by helping the District maintain reliability of service, and avoid costly emergency repair expenses.

Windsor Hills Tank Vicinity Maps



Aldwych A Tank Site Vicinity Maps





San Diego County

Transaction #: 8534120
Receipt #: 2025311342

JORDAN Z. MARKS
Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk
1600 Pacific Highway Suite 260
P. O. Box 121750, San Diego, CA 92112-1750
Tel. (619) 237-0502 Fax (619) 557-4155
www.sdarcc.gov

Cashier Date: 08/14/2025
Cashier Location: SD

Print Date: 08/14/2025 9:48 am

Payment Summary

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

Payment

CHECK PAYMENT #227874 $50.00

Total Payments $50.00

Filings

CEQA - NOE FILE #: 2025-000675 Date: 08/14/2025 9:46AM Pages: 5

State Receipt # 37-08/14/2025-0615

Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee $50.00

Total Fees Due: $50.00

COVER LETTER

Total Fees Due: $0.00

Grand Total - All Documents: $50.00