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SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

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TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Project Title

BALLARD STREET CAST IRON PIPELINE ABANDONMENT PROJECT (CIP26001)

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

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:	**Ballard Street Cast Iron Pipeline Abandonment Project (CIP26001)**
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: El Cajon	(b) Project Location – 187 Ballard Street, El Cajon, CA 92019
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) **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 the abandonment of existing facilities and does not include expansion of use beyond the existing use; and under Class 2 because it consists of the replacement of two water meters connecting to an existing water main in Ballard Street.

10. Lead Agency Contact Person: Telephone:	Oliver Malkin (619) 596-1360
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: 8/20/2025

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.

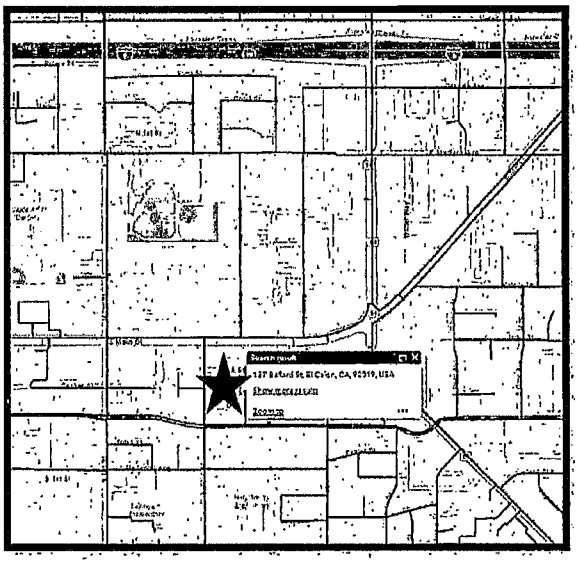
EXHIBIT A
PROJECT DESCRIPTION
FORM "A" NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
BALLARD ST CAST IRON PIPELINE ABANDONMENT PROJECT (CIP26001)

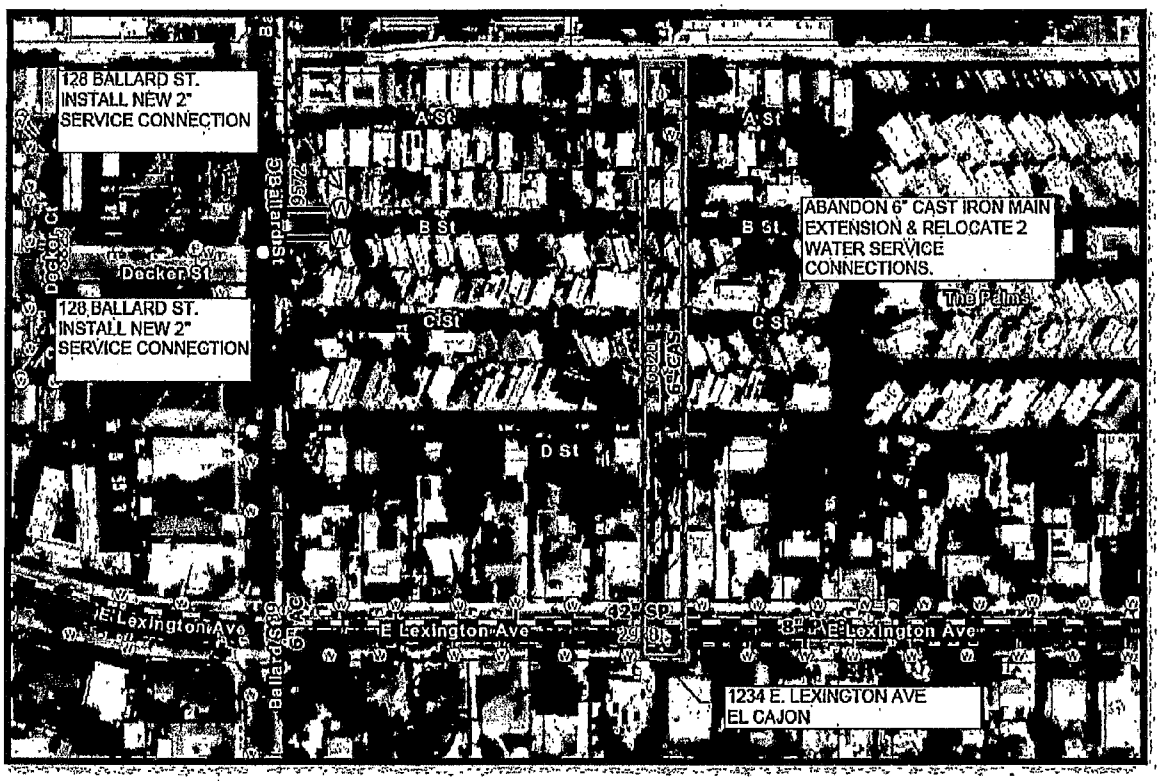
Ballard Street Cast-Iron Pipeline Abandonment Project CIP26001 is part of the District's ongoing Cast-Iron Pipeline Replacement Program. The Project consists of the abandonment of 620 linear feet of 6-inch cast iron installed in an easement located between 1234 Lexington Avenue and 187 Ballard Street in El Cajon. The pipeline was installed in 1949 and runs through a mobile home park and private property. Over the years, several of the units in the mobile home park community have encroached upon the pipeline easement, rendering repair or replacement extremely challenging. The pipeline has come to the end of its useful life and would prove cost prohibitive to replace in place.

The project will be completed in two phases and entail District crews installing two new metered connections on Ballard Street that will serve as the water services for all units in the community; and abandonment of the existing cast-iron pipeline in-place. The mobile home park will hire a contractor to perform all the private side connections in the community and the district will reimburse the El Cajon Mobile Home Park for the expense.

The work is anticipated to commence in late Summer 2025 and be completed by Fall 2025.
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.

Vicinity Map

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INSTALL NEW 2"
SERVICE CONNECTION
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SERVICE CONNECTION
ABANDON 6" CAST IRON MAIN
EXTENSION & RELOCATE 2
WATER SERVICE
CONNECTIONS.
1234 E. LEXINGTON AVE
EL CAJON
A St
B St
C St
D St
Decker St
E Lexington Ave
Bellard St
The Palms

Site Map

San Diego County

Transaction #: 8547669
Receipt #: 2025323518

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Cashier Date: 08/22/2025
Cashier Location: SD

Print Date: 08/22/2025 9:17 am

Payment Summary

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

Payment

CHECK PAYMENT #227963	$50.00
Total Payments	$50.00

Filing

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State Receipt # 37-08/22/2025-0639

Fees:	Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee	$50.00
Total Fees Due:		$50.00

Grand Total - All Documents: $50.00

State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife

2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

DFW 753.5a (Rev. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
37-08/22/2025-0639
STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER (*If applicable*)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
HELIX WATER DISTRICT		08/22/2025

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER
SAN DIEGO	37-2025-0639

PROJECT TITLE
BALLARD STREET CAST IRON PIPELINE ABANDONMENT PROJECT (CIP26001)

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL		PHONE NUMBER
HELIX WATER DISTRICT			619-667-6268
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	**CITY**	**STATE**	**ZIP CODE**
7811 UNIVERSITY AVE	LA MESA	CA	91942

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	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
X	San Diego County Clerk, AIMEE SALOMON, Deputy

Payment Reference #: PAID BY CHECK #227963

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