

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Recorder/County Clerk  
Attn: James Scott  
1600 Pacific Highway, MS A-33  
San Diego, CA 92101

FROM: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works  
Environmental Services Unit  
Attn: Kelsey Dix  
5510 Overland Ave, 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: Lakeside Small Diameter Sewer Improvements

Project Location: There are 68 sewer improvement locations within the communities of Alpine, Winter Garden and Lakeside.

Project Applicant: Department of Public Works  
5510 Overland Ave, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123

Project Description: The project involves cleaning sewer mains, installing new top hats, and the relining of 68 sewer locations.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

County Contact Person: Thomas Duffy Telephone:(858) 232-1150

Date Form Completed: August 28, 2025

This is to advise that the County of San Diego has approved the above described project on 8/28/2025 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:** This project involves installing new sewer lining at 68 sewer locations within the communities of Alpine, Winter Garden and Lakeside. The project qualifies for a CEQA Categorical Exemption under Section 15301 (c): Existing Facilities, which consists of 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.

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

Signature: Tom Duffy Telephone: (858) 232-1150

Name (Print): Tom Duffy Title: Environmental Planning Manager

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.