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2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

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37-09/10/2025-0687

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SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT		09/10/2025

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER
SAN DIEGO	37-2025-0687

PROJECT TITLE
MAINTENANCE DREDGING AT B STREET CRUISE SHIP TERMINAL

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT		619-686-6387

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
3165 PACIFIC HIGHWAY	SAN DIEGO	CA	92101

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, ELVA STOPKE, Deputy

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SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
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Project Title

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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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COUNTY CLERK ON September 10, 2025
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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: Maintenance Dredging at B Street Cruise Ship Terminal
Project Applicant: Joel Valenzuela, Director, Maritime, San Diego Unified Port District, 3165 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101; (619) 686-6387
Project Location – Specific: 1140 N Harbor Dr., San Diego, CA 92101
Project location – City: San Diego
Project Location – County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The proposed project consists of an amendment to the Coastal Act Categorical Determination of Exclusion (Project No. 2025-047) for the Maintenance Dredging at B Street Cruise Ship Terminal (Project or proposed Project) to update the quantity of material to be dredged from 26,000 to 34,000 cubic yards (cy). The dredge area (–33 ft at the 100 ft mark off the quay wall and –29 ft at the 65 ft mark, with appropriate grading in between), has been revised to ensure the new shore power infrastructure can be used safely and effectively by all incoming vessels. The revised slope angle provides greater structural stability to the quay wall, reduces the risk of soil sloughing, and improves vessel clearance during berthing operations. Together, the added dredge area and gentler slope enhance both the safety and usability of the pier.

The B Street Pier Cruise Ship Terminal is located in north San Diego Bay along the eastern shoreline; dredging activities would occur on the north and south sides of the pier and at the northwest and southwest corners. Maintenance/knockdown dredging activities are needed due to cruise ships moving into and out of the berths causing scour pits and high spots, reducing the berth depth to -28' Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW). The proposed project will remove accumulated sediments to -33' MLLW, by moving an estimated 34,000 cy of material from high spots which will then be placed into adjacent scour pits nearby, increasing navigational safety for cruise ships. The original navigational design depth of the B Street Pier Cruise Ship Terminal is -37' MLLW.

In the knockdown areas to be dredged, all materials shall be removed and disposed of in adjacent scour pits abutting the dredge area by means of side casting the dredge material. Temporary staging of material may be required to effectively move dredged material to the adjacent scour pits. The areas to be dredged are indicated in Exhibit A1 and Exhibit A2 and include areas where materials will be removed (dredged) and scour pits or receiving areas where the material will be deposited. The berths shall be dredged to -33' (MLLW) plus 2' of overdredge. The scour pits will be filled no higher than to -33' (MLLW). Debris not suitable to be used as fill shall be removed from the site and properly disposed of and/or recycled, if possible. Both pre- and post-dredging surveys and post-dredge volume calculations will be performed. The use of a silt curtain, visual monitoring for turbidity outside the silt curtain and species of concern will occur during construction phases using heavy equipment. No pile driving is included with the proposed project.

Dredging would occur with use of a Clamshell bucket or similar equipment, deployed from a barge; seabed leveling may require use of a grading beam to smooth high-spots as needed after dredging. The high spots or shoal, and scour pits dredging will be conducted to minimize the re-suspension of sediment.

The contractor will be required to prepare and submit to the Port and other regulatory agencies for review and approval the following Plans to ensure the safe and timely completion of dredging activities:

- Dredging Operations Plan;
- Solid Debris Management Plan;

- Quality Control Plan for dredging operations;
- Waterway Control Plan(s) including notification to the Maritime Community.

Construction is anticipated to require up to eight weeks to complete construction activities and would occur between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

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): Existing Facilities (SG § 15301) (Class 1) and Minor Alterations to Land (SG § 15304) (Class 4)**
- ☐ 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 Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) and Sections 3.a.(2) and 3.d.(3) of the District's Guidelines for Compliance with CEQA because it would involve no expansion of use beyond that previously existing and would not result in a significant cumulative impact due to the continuation of the existing use; the proposed Project would result in no permanent effects on the environment, and would not involve the removal of mature, scenic trees. Sections 3.a.(2) and 3.d.(3) of the District's CEQA Guidelines are as follows:

3.a. Existing Facilities (SG § 15301) (Class 1): Includes operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, including but not limited to:

(2) Periodic maintenance dredging which involves negligible or no expansion of the existing water use areas or facilities.

AND/OR

3.d. Minor Alterations to Land (SG § 15304) (Class 4): Includes minor alterations in the condition of land, water and/or vegetation not involving removal of mature, scenic trees, including, but not limited to:

(3) Minor dredging projects resulting in negligible or no change in the existing type of benthic habitat, limited to dredging depths remaining within the existing boundaries of either intertidal, shallow, or deep subtidal benthic regimes.

Lead Agency Contact Person and Telephone Number: Kelly Cunningham, 619-821-1942

Signature: _____ **Date:** 9/10/25 **Title:** Assistant Planner

- ■ Signed by Lead Agency
- ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR/Clerk: