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HELIX WATER DISTRICT		09/30/2025

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SAN DIEGO	37-2025-0748

PROJECT TITLE
JANFRED EXISTING UTILITY FACILITY INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE PROJECT ELIMINATING TREE ENCROACHMENTS

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 Steve Sangthai	San Diego County Clerk, STEVE SANGTHAI, Deputy

Payment Reference #. ORDER#/AUTH 209400005/036878

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SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
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Complete and attach this form to each CEQA Notice filed with the County Clerk

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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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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:	FROM: (Public Agency)
☐ Office of Planning and Research P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	Name: Helix Water District Address: 7811 University Ave La Mesa, CA 91942 Telephone: (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:	Janfred Existing Utility Facility Infrastructure Maintenance Project Eliminating Tree Encroachments
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):	Easement between 9475-9539 Janfred Way, La Mesa, CA 91942 Please see attached Exhibit A Vicinity Map.
4. (a) Project Location – City: La Mesa	(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 (Existing Facilities); and Class 4, State CEQA Guidelines §51304 (Minor Alterations to Land).
(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 (d) maintenance of existing facilities and involves no expansion of use; and under Class 4 because it consists of (d) minor alterations to land.

10. Lead Agency Contact Person: Telephone:	Debbie Lundy, Project Manager (619) 667-6268
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: 9/25/2025

Debra Lundy
Name

Title: Senior Right of Way Agent & Environmental Analyst

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for Filing:

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

EXHIBIT A
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

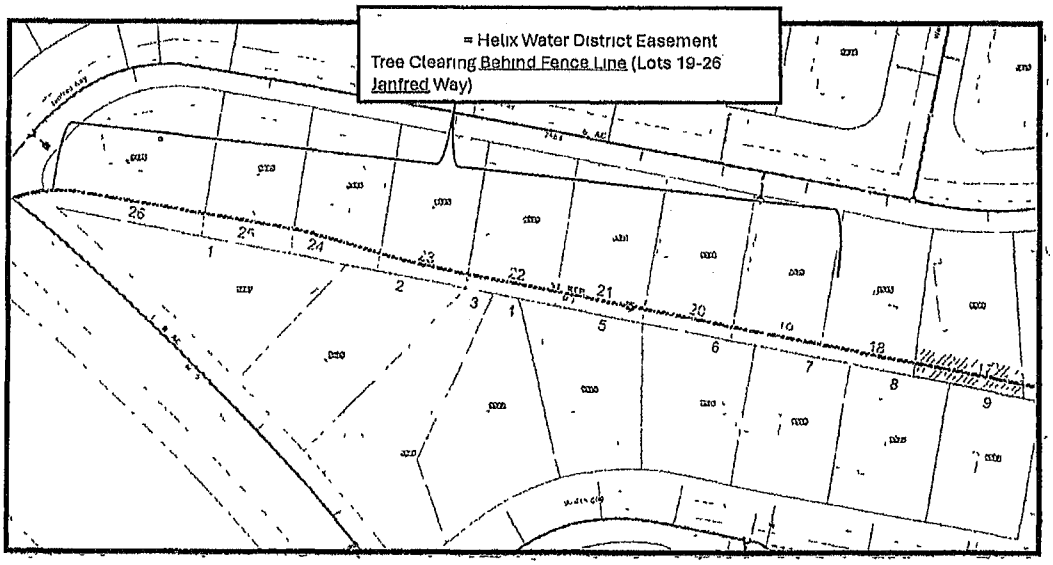
FORM "A" NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
Janfred Existing Utility Facility Infrastructure
Maintenance Project Eliminating Tree Encroachments

The scope of work for this utility infrastructure maintenance project does not expand operations of this existing facility The project involves removal of trees that do not fall under any local or state protections or permit requirements, which are encroaching into a Helix Water District existing utility facility easement. Trees are generally hazardous to utility facility infrastructure, in particular root intrusion risks causing critical pipeline failure or leakage and denigration. Further, trees within an easement obstruct access to critical facilities existing within the easement.

The removal of the encroachments within this easement enables crucial facility maintenance and immediate, unobstructed access in an emergency. This existing segment of Helix Water District's 51-inch water transmission main is a critical feed necessary for the service of water to numerous residential and commercial customers District-wide.

The work is anticipated to commence November 1, 2025 and be completed by February 14, 2026. The work will occur outside of the Bird Nesting Season and there are no protected tree species that will be removed. A tree removal permit is not required

Project Area Map



Vicinity Map

