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:
37-12/18/2025-1025

STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER(*If applicable*)

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LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
SWEETWATER AUTHORITY		12/18/2025

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER
SAN DIEGO	37-2025-1025

PROJECT TITLE
DEEP WELL ANODE BED REPLACEMENT FOR 30-INCH PIPELINE RECTIFIER ON 2ND AVENUE

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL		PHONE NUMBER
SWEETWATER AUTHORITY			619-409-6823
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	**CITY**	**STATE**	**ZIP CODE**
505 GARRETT AVENUE	CHULA VISTA	CA	91910

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 J. Hood	San Diego County Clerk, TIFFANI HOOD, Deputy

Payment Reference #: AUTH # 002133 AND ORDER # 213122043

ORIGINAL - PROJECT APPLICANT COPY - CDFW/ASB COPY - LEAD AGENCY COPY - COUNTY CLERK DFW 753.5A (Rev. 01012025)

SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

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Dec 18, 2025 04:26 PM
JORDAN Z. MARKS
SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
File # 2025-001125
State Receipt # 37121820251025

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

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Project Title

DEEP WELL ANODE BED REPLACEMENT FOR 30-INCH PIPELINE RECTIFIER ON 2ND AVENUE

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 December 18, 2025
Posted December 18, 2025 **Removed** _____
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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

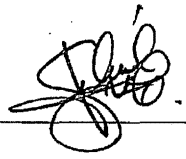
TO: ☒	Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation State Clearinghouse P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	FROM: (Public Agency)	Name: Address: Telephone:	**Sweetwater Authority** **505 Garrett Avenue, Chula Vista, CA 91910** **619-420-1413**
☒	Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or County Clerk (Include County name) Address: **San Diego County Clerk** **1600 Pacific Hwy #260, San Diego, CA 92101**			

1. Project Title:	**Deep Well Anode Bed Replacement for 30-inch Pipeline Rectifier on 2nd Avenue**
2. Project Applicant (include address, telephone number and email address):	**Sweetwater Authority** **ATTN: Israel Marquez, Land and Environmental Manager** **619-409-6823, imarquez@sweetwater.org**
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):	**1st Avenue in Chula Vista, just south of Napes St., where the 30-inch Steel Pipeline is located. See Exhibit A for the project location.**
4. (a) Project Location – City: **Chula Vista**	(b) Project Location – County: **San Diego**
5. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	**Project Nature: Construction of a new deep well anode well and cathodic protection system replacing existing system on the Sweetwater Authority's existing 30-inch steel pipeline on 2nd Avenue.** **Purpose of the Project: The existing anode system is nearing the end of its useful life, with only one of five anodes still working. To prevent pipeline corrosion, the project will install a new 214-foot deep anode well with 12 anodes, relocate the rectifier unit and electrical cables, and properly abandon the existing well per State and local standards.** **Beneficiaries: The project will benefit customers and the local community by improving safety, reliability, and preventing pipeline corrosion. It will also benefit Sweetwater Authority by extending the service life of the steel water main and minimizing labor time by preventing emergencies such as pipeline failures**

	caused by corrosion.
6. Name of Public Agency approving project:	**Sweetwater Authority**
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:	**Sweetwater Authority** **Engineering and Operations Department**
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), 15378)
(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:	**State CEQA Guideline § 15301 and § 15302**
(f) ☐ Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	State CEQA Guidelines § 15261
(g) ☐ Other. Explanation:	
9. Reason why project was exempt:	**The project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption under CEQA Class 1 (Existing Facilities, Section 15301(c)), as it involves replacing an existing cathodic protection system within an existing roadway.** **The work is limited to maintenance and replacement of existing facilities with no expansion of use or significant environmental impacts. The project is also covered under Class 2 (Replacement or Reconstruction, Section 15302) since the new system serves the same purpose as the existing one.**

10. Lead Agency Contact Person: Telephone:	**Israel Marquez, Land and Environmental Manager** **619-409-6823, imarquez@sweetwater.org**
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:	

Date:



Signature

Name: **Xochitl Aranda, P.E.**

Title: **Director of Engineering and Operations, Sweetwater Authority**

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

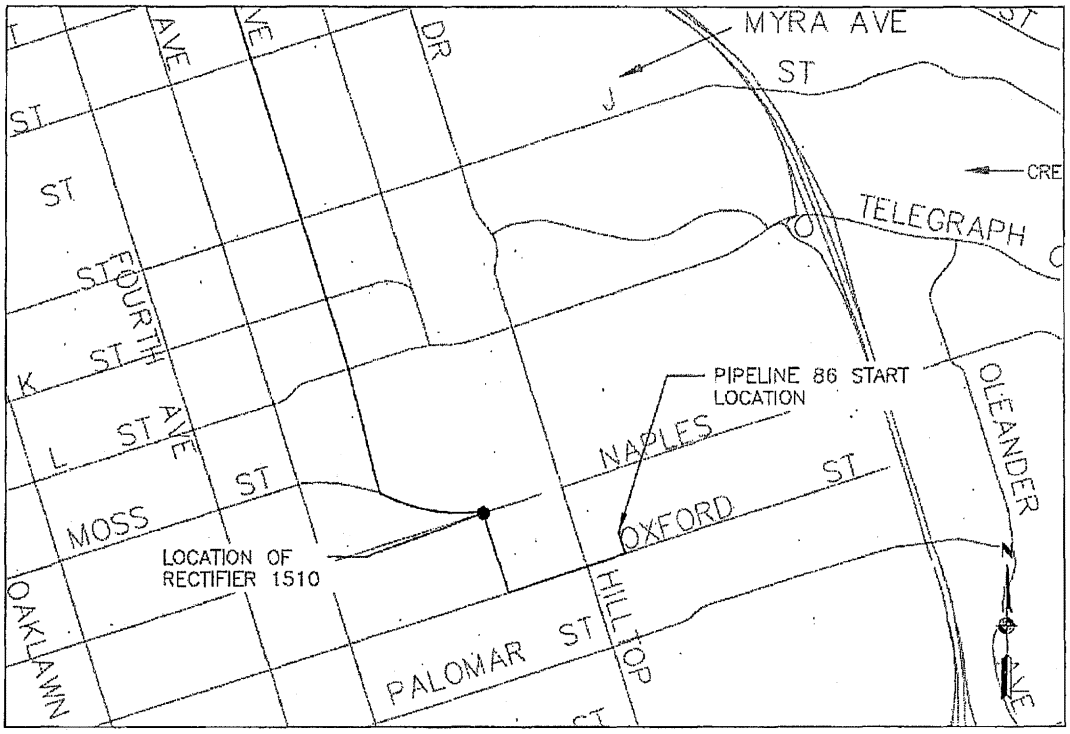
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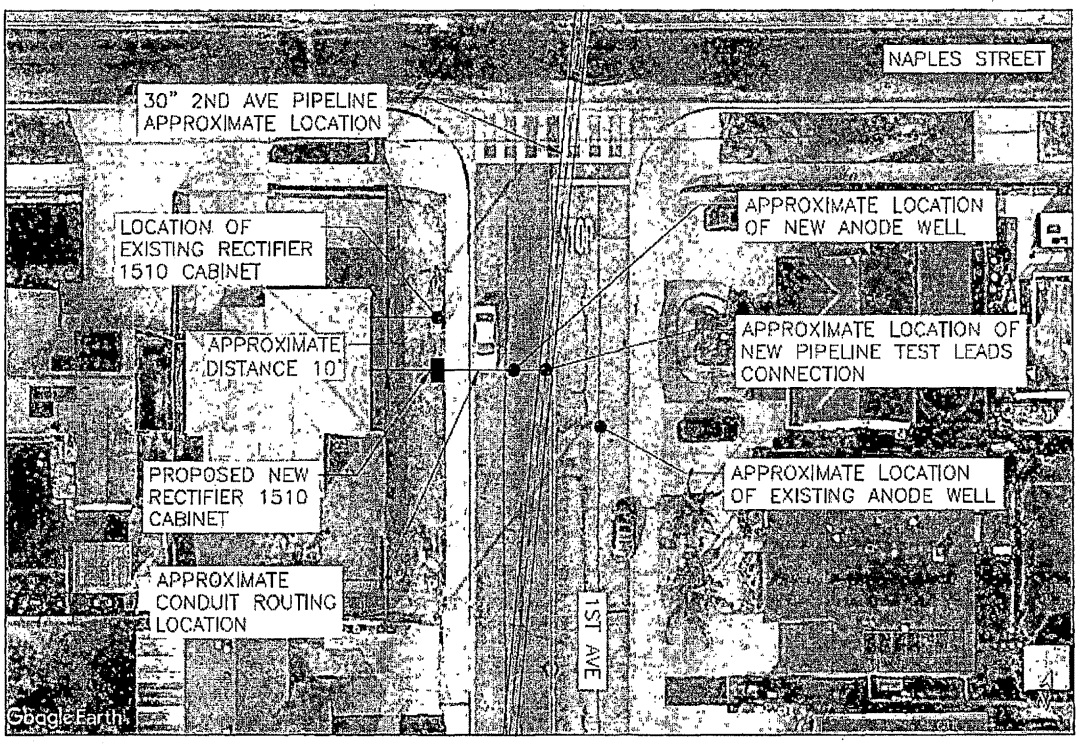
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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

ATTACHMENT 1. PROJECT LOCATION





CERTIFICATE OF DETERMINATION

(If Notice of Exemption filed by Project Applicant, Project Applicant must Attach to Notice of Exemption)

1.	Name or description of project:	**Deep Well Anode Bed Replacement for 30-inch Pipeline Rectifier on 2nd Avenue**
2.	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):	**1st Avenue in Chula Vista, just south of Naples St., where the 30-inch Steel Pipeline is located. See Exhibit A for the project location.**
3.	Entity or person undertaking project:	A. **Sweetwater Authority** **Engineering and Operations Department**
		B. Other (Private)
		(1) Name
		(2) Address

4. Staff Determination:

The Lead Agency's Staff, having undertaken and completed a preliminary review of this project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the Lead Agency's Local Guidelines for Implementing CEQA has concluded that this project does not require further environmental assessment because:

a. ☐	The proposed action does not constitute a project under CEQA.	
b. ☐	The project is a Ministerial Project.	
c. ☐	The project is an Emergency Project.	
d. ☐	The project constitutes a feasibility or planning study.	
e. ☒	The project is categorically exempt.	
	Applicable Exemption Class:	State CEQA Guidelines § 15301 (Existing Facilities) and § 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction)
f. ☐	The project is statutorily exempt.	
	Applicable Exemption:	
g. ☐	The project is otherwise exempt on the following basis:	
h. ☐	The project involves another public agency which constitutes the Lead Agency.	
	Name of Lead Agency:	

Date: **December 16, 2025**

Staff: **Israel Marquez, Land and Environmental Manager**

San Diego County

Transaction #: 8800379
Receipt #: 2025488726

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Cashier Date: 12/18/2025
Cashier Location: SD

Print Date: 12/18/2025 4:28 pm

Payment Summary

Total Fees:	$200.00
Total Payments:	$200.00
Balance:	$0.00

Payment

VITALCHEK PAYMENT $200.00

Total Payments $200.00

Filings

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Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee $50.00

Total Fees Due: $50.00

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Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee $50.00

Total Fees Due: $50.00

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Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee $50.00

Total Fees Due: $50.00

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State Receipt # 37-12/18/2025-1028

Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee $50.00

Total Fees Due: $50.00

Grand Total - All Documents: $200.00