

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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County Clerk

County of: \_\_\_\_\_

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**From:** (Public Agency): Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board  
3737 Main Street, Suite 500  
Riverside, CA 92501

(Address)

Project Title: Linda Isle Lagoon Maintenance Dredging Project

Project Applicant: Linda Isle Community Association

Project Location - Specific:

Linda Isle Lagoon within Lower Newport Bay; Lat:33.613611°N, Long:-117.903306°W

Project Location - City: Newport Beach Project Location - County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Maintenance dredging of the Linda Isle Lagoon to restore navigational depths for the Linda Isle Community.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Linda Isle Community Association

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. State type and section number: 15301 "Class 1" for Existing Facilities; 15304 "Class 4(g)" for Minor Alterations to Land
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

Pursuant to section 15301, the Project will provide maintenance to topographical feature within the existing Linda Isle Lagoon's facilities. Pursuant to 15304, the Project will provide maintenance dredging to upkeep navigation channels.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Kyle Fructuoso Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 951-320-2028

**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature: Jagroop Khela Date: 1/06/2026 Title: Environmental Program Manager I

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_