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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

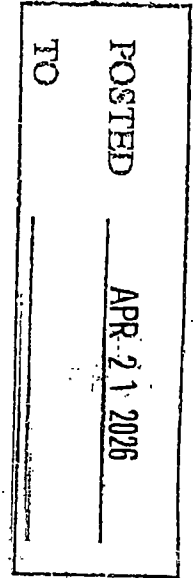
**Final Approval Date:** December 9, 2025  
**Case No.:** 2019-018087ENV  
**Project Title:** **Blue Heron Lake Boatshed Replacement Project**  
*Golden Gate Park, San Francisco*

**Zoning:** P (Public)  
 OS (Open Space) Height and Bulk District

**Block/Lot:** 1700/001  
**Lot Size:** 1,000 acres

**Lead Agency:** San Francisco Planning Department  
**Project Sponsor:** Omar Davis, Recreation and Park Department  
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[omar.davis@sfgov.org](mailto:omar.davis@sfgov.org)

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[don.lewis@sfgov.org](mailto:don.lewis@sfgov.org)



**To:** County Clerk, City and County of San Francisco  
 City Hall Room 168  
 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
 San Francisco, CA 94102

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Guidelines of the Secretary for Resources, and San Francisco requirements, this Notice of Exemption is transmitted to you for filing. At the end of the posting period, please return this Notice to the Staff Contact with a notation of the period it was posted.

**Attached fee:** \$84 filing fee

### Project Description

The project proposes demolishing the existing 3,000-square-foot boat storage shed and foundations east of Bird Island in Blue Heron Lake (formerly Stow Lake). The existing shed has 48 4x4 piers that were driven approximately 3 feet into the sediment below the lake. Demolition would require piers to be cut at lake base but would not be removed from lakebed. The project would construct a replacement structure that would be larger in size (6,048 square feet). The structure would be placed in the same general location as the current shed and would have a foundation consisting of 40 8-inch diameter piers driven approximately 9 feet into the

sediment below the lake. The estimated volume of excavation would be approximately 7 cubic yards. The project would remove up to 6 trees.

**Determination**

The City and County of San Francisco decided to carry out or approve the project on November 6, 2025 when the Planning Department issued a Categorical Exemption. A copy of the documents may be examined at the Planning Department, 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400, San Francisco, CA, 94103 in file no. 2019-018087ENV.

1. An Exemption from Environmental Review has been prepared pursuant to the provisions of CEQA under:

- 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. Section 15302; Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Community Plan Exemption (Sec. 21083.3; 15183)

2. This project has been determined to be exempt from environmental review because Planning staff has concluded that it qualifies for the above-referenced categorical exemption, would result in no archaeological impacts, and will be subject to the Recreation and Park Department's Standard Construction Measures for sensitive biological resources. In addition, the project does not trigger any of the exceptions that would preclude the use of a categorical exemption.

3. This notice is being issued during the suspension of certain CEQA posting requirements pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31 requirements. This notice complies with local requirements under the March 23, 2020, Fifth Supplement to the Mayoral Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency dated February 25, 2020.

Sarah Dennis Phillips  
Planning Director

*Joy Navarrete*

By Lisa Gibson  
Environmental Review Officer

4/20/2026

Date

cc: Omar Davis, Project Manager Recreation and Park Department  
Supervisor Melgar, District 7



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:  
 38-04/21/2026-042  
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

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LEAD AGENCY SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL don.lewis@sfgov.org	DATE 04/21/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY		DOCUMENT NUMBER 2026-0000030
PROJECT TITLE  BLUE HERON LAKE BOATSHED REPLACEMENT PROJECT		

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME DON LEWIS	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL don.lewis@sfgov.org	PHONE NUMBER (628) 652-7543
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 49 SOUTH VAN NESS AVENUE, SUITE 1400	CITY SAN FRANCISCO	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 94103

**PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)**

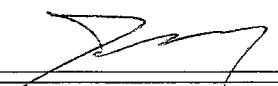
Local Public Agency    
  School District    
  Other Special District    
  State Agency    
  Private Entity

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$ 4,227.50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$ 3,043.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$ 1,437.25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - Exempt from fee
    - Notice of Exemption (attach)
    - CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
  - Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)
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- Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$ 850.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - County documentary handling fee \$ 84.00 \$ 84.00
  - Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

Cash   
  Credit   
  Check   
  Other JE 803228   
 TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 84.00

SIGNATURE  <b>X</b> 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE  Melvin Galvez Deputy Clerk
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