

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:  Office of Land Use & Climate Innovation  
State Clearinghouse  
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 County Assessor/Recorder/Clerk  
Attn: Fish and Wildlife Notices  
1600 Pacific Highway, Suite 260, MS A-33  
San Diego, CA 92101

FROM: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works  
Environmental Services Unit  
**Attn: Anissa Busch**  
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, MS O-332  
San Diego, CA 92123

**SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152**

Project Name: FLOOD CONTROL MAINTENANCE PROJECT (PASEO GRANDE)  
Project Location: Unincorporated Valle De Oro community plan group within the eastern unincorporated area of San Diego County.  
Project Applicant: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works  
5510 Overland Avenue, #310, San Diego, CA 92123  
Project Description: The County of San Diego Department of Public Works proposes to conduct essential flood control culvert maintenance at the location: Paseo Grande. Maintenance activities include culvert cleaning, clearing and grubbing, installation of cured-in-place pipe liners and post-construction closed-circuit television inspection. All work will occur within existing culvert footprints, and no increase in culvert capacity or change in function will result from the proposed maintenance.  
Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego  
County Contact Person: Leanne Crow Telephone: (619) 335-9744  
Date Form Completed: May 6, 2026


This is to advise that the County of San Diego Department of Public Works (County decision-making body) has approved the above described project on April 29, 2026 and found the project to be exempt from CEQA under the following criteria:

**Exempt status and applicable section of the CEQA ("C") and/or State CEQA Guidelines ("G"): (check only one)**

- Categorical Exemption:** Sec. G 15301 - Existing Facilities
- Declared Emergency:** Sec. C 21080(b)(3); Sec. G 15269(a)
- Emergency Project:** Sec. C 21080(b)(4); Sec. G 15269(b)(c)
- General:** Sec. C.
- Ministerial:** Sec. C 21080(b)(1); G 15268
- Preliminary Review:**
- Statutory Exemption:** Sec. G

**Statement of reasons why project is exempt:** Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines provides that a project is exempt from CEQA review that applies to the operation, repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of existing facilities. This project consists of work involving the repair and rehabilitation of existing culverts with no expansion of capacity or change in use. All activities are limited to the existing culvert footprints and will result in negligible or no expansion of existing use. Therefore, the projects are categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301.

The following is to be completed only upon formal project approval by the appropriate County of San Diego decision-making body.

Signature:  Telephone: (619) 415-9920  
Name (Print): Emily Roberts Title: Environmental Planning Manager

This Notice of Exemption has been signed and filed by the County of San Diego.  
This notice must be filed with the Recorder/County Clerk as soon as possible after project approval by the decision-making body. The Recorder/County Clerk must post this notice within 24 hours of receipt and for a period of not less than 30 days. At the termination of the posting period, the Recorder/County Clerk must return this notice to the Department address listed above along with evidence of the posting period. The originating Department must then retain the returned notice for a period of not less than nine months. Reference: CEQA Guidelines Section 15301.