



**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

Engineering Division  
303 West Commonwealth Avenue, Fullerton, CA 92832-1775  
Telephone: 714-738-6845  
Website: www.cityoffullerton.com

*mailed 4/6/26*

**Letter of Transmittal**

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**Date:** 4/6/2026

**Re:** Puente-Bernard Area Water Main Replacement  
(CIP 53063)

**To:** County of Orange  
P.O. Box 238  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

**Attn:** County Clerk

By Messenger       By Mail       By Email

At Your Request       Your Review and Approval  
 Your Files       Please Call Upon Receipt  
 Other:

No. Copies	Description
1	Notice of Exemption

Comments:

Enclosed is a Notice of Exemption for the above-mentioned project. **Please return to the City of Fullerton** once the document has been recorded. Thank you.

**By:** **Kathryn Berumen**  
Public Works Department - Engineering Division  
303 W. Commonwealth Ave.  
Fullerton, CA 92832  
714-738-6306



**HUGH NGUYEN**  
CLERK - RECORDER

BIRTH AND DEATH RECORDS  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES  
MARRIAGE LICENSES/RECORDS  
NOTARY REGISTRATION  
ORANGE COUNTY ARCHIVES  
PASSPORTS  
PROPERTY RECORDS

April 9, 2026

CITY OF FULLERTON  
303 W. COMMONWEALTH AVE  
FULLERTON, CA 92832

Office of the ORANGE COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER  
**Memorandum**

SUBJECT: EIR NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

The attached notice was received, filed and a copy was posted on 4/9/2026

**It remained posted for 30 (thirty) days.**

HUGH NGUYEN  
CLERK - RECORDER  
In and for the County of ORANGE

By: 428 - Deputy

**Public Resource Code 21092.3**

The notice required pursuant to Sections 21080.4 and 21092 for an environmental impact report shall be posted in the office of the County Clerk of each county \*\*\* in which the project will be located and shall remain posted for a period of 30 days. The notice required pursuant to Section 21092 for a negative declaration shall be so posted for a period of 20 days, unless otherwise required by law to be posted for 30 days. The County Clerk shall post notices within 24 hours of receipt.

**Public Resource Code 21152**

All notices filed pursuant to this section shall be available for public inspection, and shall be posted **\*\*\* within 24 hours of receipt** in the office of the County Clerk. Each notice shall remain posted for a period of 30 days.

\*\*\* Thereafter, the clerk shall return the notice to the local lead agency \*\*\* within a notation of the period it was posted. The local lead agency shall retain the notice for not less than nine months.

Additions or changes by underline; deletions by \*\*\*

NORTH COUNTY BRANCH OFFICE  
WELLS FARGO BUILDING  
222 S. HARBOR BLVD., STE 110  
ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA 92805

ORANGE COUNTY  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIONSOUTH  
601 N. ROSS STREET  
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701

OLD ORANGE COUNTY  
COURTHOUSE  
211 W. SANTA ANA BLVD. ROOM 201  
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701

SOUTH COUNTY BRANCH OFFICE  
LAGUNA HILLS CIVIC CENTER  
24031 EL TORO ROAD, SUITE 150  
LAGUNA HILLS, CALIFORNIA 92653



ORANGE COUNTY  
CLERK-RECORDER  
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

202685000404

**FILED**

April 9, 2026

HUGH NGUYEN  
CLERK - RECORDER

By H. Nguyen  
Deputy clerk

30-04/09/2026-0281

THIS SPACE FOR CLERK'S USE ONLY

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

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Project Title

PUENTE-BERNARD AREA WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT (CIP 53063)

**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 ORANGE  
COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER ON 04/09/2026**  
 Posted 04/09/2026 Removed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Returned to agency on \_\_\_\_\_  
 DEPUTY 428

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 Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: **City of Fullerton**  
**303 West Commonwealth Avenue**  
**Fullerton, CA 92832**

County Clerk  
County of Orange  
PO Box 238  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Project Title: Puente-Bernard Area Water Main Replacement (CIP 53063)

Project Location – Specific: **Puente St, from Rolling Hills Dr to Rosarita Dr, Rosarita Dr, from Puente St to Bernard Dr, Bernard Dr, from alley Rosarita Dr to Mulberry Ave, Arroues Dr, from Puente St to El Mirador Dr, El Mirador Dr, from Arroues Dr to Firethorne Ave, Firethorne Ave, from Bernard Dr to Arroues Dr, Arlington Ave, from Arroues Dr to Puente St**

Project Location – City: Fu lerton Project Location – County: O range

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

**Water main replacement; Rehabilitation of existing pavement; reconstruction of driveways, sidewalks, curb and gutter. All work within existing public right of way.**

Beneficiary: General Public

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Fullerton

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Fullerton

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; Type and section number: Existing Facilities, 15301 (c)
- Statutory Exemptions; Code number: \_\_\_\_\_


Reasons why project is exempt:

**Maintenance and repair of existing public streets. No expansion of existing public structures, facilities or topographical features.**

Lead Agency Contact Person: Vito LaRussa Telephone Number: (714) 738-6567  
**Assistant Engineer**

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:  Title: Principal Civil Engineer Date: 4/6/2026

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: **FILED**

APR 09 2026

HUGH NGUYEN, CLERK-RECORDER  
BY: MG DEPUTY



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

RECEIPT NUMBER:  
 30-04/09/2026-0281  
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

**SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.**

LEAD AGENCY CITY OF FULLERTON	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 04/09/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING ORANGE COUNTY	DOCUMENT NUMBER 202685000404	
PROJECT TITLE		

**PUENTE-BERNARD AREA WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT (CIP 53083)**

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME CITY OF FULLERTON	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (714) 738-6567
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 303 WEST COMMONWEALTH AVENUE	CITY FULLERTON	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 92832

**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)

- Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$ 850.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- County documentary handling fee \$ 50.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

- Cash     Credit     Check     Other    **TOTAL RECEIVED \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 0.00**

SIGNATURE <b>X</b> <i>Melissa Gomez</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Melissa Gomez Deputy Clerk
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Orange County  
Clerk-Recorder  
Hugh Nguyen  
601 N. Ross Street  
Santa Ana, CA 92701  
(714) 834-2500

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Receipt No.: RPT20260000106901  
Finalization No.: 20260000106062  
Cashier: 428  
Register: VITALSINDEXING  
Date/Time: 04/09/2026 11:06 AM

Item	Title	Count
1	Z01	1

EIR: Exempt or Previously Paid

Document ID	Amount
Doc# 202685000404	\$0.00

Time Recorded 11:06 AM

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Total Amount Due: \$0.00

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Total Paid

Amount Due: \$0.00

THANK YOU  
PLEASE RETAIN THIS RECEIPT  
FOR YOUR RECORDS  
[www.ocrecorder.com](http://www.ocrecorder.com)

