

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: ☒ Office of Land Use & Climate Innovation
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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: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO DELEGATE SIGNATORY AUTHORITIES FOR ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENTS AND RELATED CEQA EXEMPTION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

Project Location: Countywide, County of San Diego

Project Applicant: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123

Project Description: To adopt an ordinance that would establish an encroachment permit process that includes specific terms that allows the Board to find permits issued pursuant to this process will not interfere with the District's property rights. The ordinance would authorize the Director, Department of Public Works, of the County, or designee, acting on behalf of the District, to issue permits for the use of District property. Encroachments would be permitted as a type of license, meaning they will have to be removed, relocated, or modified at the owner's expense if necessary to allow for District use of its property. The owners would also be required to provide defense and indemnity from any liability that may be incurred by the District as a result of the placement and maintenance of the encroachment on District property.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

County Contact Person: Richard Whipple, III Telephone: 619-981-2692
Date Form Completed: June 10, 2026

This is to advise that the County of San Diego Board of Directors, San Diego County Flood Control District (County decision-making body) has approved the above described project on June 10, 2026 (#1) 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
- ☐ **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:** Sec. G 15061 (b)(3) - It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment & the activity is not subject to CEQA.
- ☐ **Statutory Exemption:** Sec. G

Statement of reasons why project is exempt: Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines exempts from CEQA review those projects where "it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment". The proposed activity is the adoption of an ordinance to designate signatory authority to County staff. The approval of the ordinance does not commit the County or Flood Control District to a particular project or guarantee that any funding for such a project will be sought or obtained. The proposed activity will not, accordingly, have any significant effect on the environment and is exempt from CEQA review by Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.

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

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

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 15062.