

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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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: PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE FEES AND CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 TAX ROLL OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT, CAMPO WATER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, AND COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 137 – LIVE OAK SPRINGS WATER SYSTEM AND RELATED CEQA FINDING (DISTRICTS: 1, 2, & 4)

Project Location: The Sanitation District provides sanitary sewer services to Spring Valley, Lakeside, Alpine Winter Gardens, East Otay Mesa, Campo, Julian and Pine Valley. The County also operates two drinking water systems for customers in Campo and Live Oak Springs.

Project Applicant: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 310, San Diego, CA 92123

Project Description: Adopt a resolution to conduct a public hearing on the Sanitation District, Water District, and County Service Area (CSA) No. 137 tax roll reports and approve the collection of sewer and water service charges collected on the FY 2026-27 tax rolls.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

County Contact Person: Samir Nuhaily Telephone: 619-507-7754

Date Form Completed: June 24, 2026

This is to advise that the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors and Board of Directors, San Diego County Sanitation District (County decision-making body) has approved the above-described project on June 24, 2026 (#10 & SA01) 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 15060 (c)(3) - Activity is exempt from the CEQA because it is not a project as defined in Section 15378.
- ☐ **Statutory Exemption:** Sec. G

Statement of reasons why project is exempt: Only those activities which are projects within the meaning of Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines are subject to CEQA review (see state CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3)). Section 15378 provides that an activity is not a project if it merely involves the continuation of administrative or maintenance activities or the establishment of a government funding mechanism which does not involve commitment to any specific project. The proposed activity is not subject to CEQA as specified under CEQA Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) because the activity in question includes the annual adoption of resolutions to confirm charges for the continued provision of sewer and water services and is not a project defined in Section 15378.

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 15062.