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CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

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Deputy clerk

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Project Title

2026-2027 ANNUAL GRAVITY SEWER LINING PROJECT

Check Document being Filed:

- [ ] Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- [ ] Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- [x] Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- [ ] Other (Please fill in type):

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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of: Orange
601 N. Ross Street
Santa Ana, CA 92701

From: (Public Agency): South Coast Water District
31592 West Street
Laguna Beach, CA 92651
(Address)

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Project Title: 2026-2027 Annual Gravity Sewer Lining Project

Project Applicant: South Coast Water District

Project Location – Specific:

Multiple street rights-of-way within the Cities of Laguna Beach, Dana Point, and San Clemente (refer to Attachment 1 for specific locations).

Project Location – City: Laguna Beach, Dana Point, and San Clemente Project Location – County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The South Coast Water District proposes to rehabilitate approximately 5,033 linear feet of existing 6- and 8-inch vitrified clay pipe (VCP) gravity sewer mains at 18 locations within the Cities of Laguna Beach, Dana Point, and San Clemente. Work would include cleaning, inspection, and cured-in-place pipe lining installed through existing manholes, as well as 12 point repairs at 6 locations in Dana Point requiring localized excavation within the paved street right-of-way. All work would occur within existing street rights-of-way, and all disturbed surfaces would be restored. The Project would not add new connections or expand system capacity. The purpose of the Project is to extend the service life of aging sewer infrastructure and reduce the risk of leaks and sewage spills.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: South Coast Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: South Coast Water District

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. State type and section number: Class 1 (Sec. 15301), Class 2 (Sec. 15302), and Class 4 (Sec. 15304)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Project is categorically exempt from CEQA under Class 1 (Existing Facilities) because it involves the repair and maintenance of existing District sewer facilities with no expansion of use; Class 2 (Replacement or Reconstruction) because lining and point repairs would replace portions of existing sewer mains in their existing locations with facilities of the same purpose and capacity; and Class 4 (Minor Alterations to Land) because it involves minor trenching and backfilling for point repairs, and all disturbed surfaces would be restored. None of the exceptions in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Dylan LaFrance Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 949.395.4764

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: Dylan LaFrance Date: 10/15/26 Title: SENIOR ENGINEER

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 2103 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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ATTACHMENT 1

Project Location – Specific

City of Laguna Beach

- Virginia Way, between 8th Avenue and 9th Avenue
- North Vista de la Luna, between Vista del Sol and the end of the cul-de-sac of North Vista de la Luna
- Vista del Sol, between North Vista de Catalina and North Stonington Road
- South La Senda Drive, between 75 South La Senda Drive and 91 South La Senda Drive

City of Dana Point

- Mediterranean Drive, between 32641 Mediterranean Drive and 32611 Mediterranean Drive
- Caribbean Drive, between 32681 Caribbean Drive and 32591 Caribbean Drive
- Caspian Sea Drive, between 32689 Caspian Sea Drive and 32705 Caspian Sea Drive
- Granada Drive, from 24402 La Cresta Drive to 34052 Granada Drive
- Del Obispo Street, between Blue Sail Drive and Blue Fin Drive
- Domingo Avenue, paved alley located between the Coast Highway off-ramp to South Doheny Park Road/Capistrano Beach and Victoria Boulevard, crossing Domingo Avenue
- Camino Capistrano, from 34640 Camino Capistrano to Via Catalina
- Camino Capistrano, from Via Catalina to 26381 Via Sacramento
- Via California, between Via Fortuna and Via Lopez
- Via Gomez, from 34428 Via Gomez to 34472 Via Gomez
- Camino El Molino, from Calle Monterey to 34295 Camino El Molino
- Calle Juanita, from Calle Naranja to Camino El Molino
- Calle Real, between Calle Juanita and Calle Abril

City of San Clemente

- Via Del Campo, from 3915 Via Del Campo to 3905 Via Del Campo

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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30-10/16/2026-0859

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER *(If applicable)*

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LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
SOUTH COAST WATER DISTRICT		10/16/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING		**DOCUMENT NUMBER**
ORANGE COUNTY		202685001176

PROJECT TITLE

2026-2027 ANNUAL GRAVITY SEWER LINING PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL		PHONE NUMBER
SOUTH COAST WATER DISTRICT			(949) 395-4764
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	**CITY**	**STATE**	**ZIP CODE**
31592 WEST STREET	LAGUNA BEACH	CA	92651

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	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
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