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:	Camino Del Rey Emergency Culvert Repair (ID #8179) (District 5)
Project Location:	5772 Camino Del Rey, Bonsall, CA 92003, unincorporated San Diego County
Project Applicant:	County of San Diego, Department of Public Works 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 310, San Diego, CA 92123
Project Description:	The project consists of conducting emergency repairs to a damaged culvert beneath Camino Del Rey at Moosa Creek in Bonsall (ID #8179). The emergency work will include temporary dewatering and diversion of ponded water on both sides of the culvert, excavation and removal of the damaged culvert, installation of an in-kind replacement culvert, restoration of the roadway and shoulders, and implementation of erosion and sediment control best management practices. All excavation work will occur within the existing disturbed roadway and culvert footprint and will be limited to the minimum necessary to prevent further infrastructure damage and to maintain safe travel conditions.
Agency Approving Project:	County of San Diego
County Contact Person:	Samir Nuhaily Telephone: 619-507-7754
Date Form Completed:	October 15, 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 October 15, 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**: Sec. G
☐ **Statutory Exemption**: Sec. G

Statement of reasons why project is exempt: State CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c) exempts from CEQA review "specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency." Furthermore, projects that "maintain, repair, restore, demolish, or replace property" in an area in which a state of emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor is exempt pursuant to Section 15269(a). On September 21, 2026, Governor Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency due to the developing El Niño weather event that has "greater than 90% chance of a very strong event" and may cause "conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property". As such, the Department of Public Works proposes to conduct specific emergency repairs to storm drain infrastructure to prevent or mitigate potential flood conditions at the identified locations.

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

Signature: Emily Roberts 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.