NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: ☒ Office of Land Use & Climate Innovation
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1600 Pacific Highway, Suite 260, MS A-33
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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:	FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT MAJOR MAINTENANCE FY23-24: LA CASA DRIVE AND MACRONALD DRIVE (DISTRICTS 4 & 5)
Project Location:	Two locations: La Casa Drive and MacRonald Drive, in unincorporated communities of North County Metro (San Marcos) and Valle de Oro (La Mesa), respectively.
Project Applicant:	County of San Diego, Department of Public Works 5510 Overland Avenue, San Diego, CA 92123
Project Description:	The proposed project includes repairs to existing stormdrain systems managed by the County of San Diego Flood Control District at two locations within the county: La Casa Drive (North County Metro) and MacRonald Drive (Valle de Oro). Proposed work includes repairs and replacement of stormdrain facilities, including culvert replacement, raising an existing maintenance hole to grade level, replacement of existing stormdrain pipes, and installation of chain-linked fencing. Some of the construction methods for piping repairs include Cured-in-Place-Pipe lining and High-Density Polyethylene lining.
Agency Approving Project:	County of San Diego
County Contact Person:	Leanne Crow, Project Manager Telephone: (619) 335-9744
Date Form Completed:	October 16, 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
☒ **Declared Emergency:** Sec. C 21080(b)(3); Sec. G 15269(a)
☒ **Emergency Project:** Sec. C 21080(b)(3) & (b)(4); Sec. G 15269(b)(3)/(b)(4)
☐ **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 stormdrain 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: M. Landau Telephone: (619) 385-7591

Name (Print): Masha Landau 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.