

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: **XXX** Office of Planning and Research FROM: County of San Diego
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Department of Environmental Health and Quality
Sacramento, CA 95814 Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency
5500 Overland Ave., Suite 210
XXX Recorder/County Clerk's office San Diego, CA 92123
County of San Diego
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SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152

Project Name: Palomar Transfer Station RFI Amendment, SWIS Permit # 37-AH-0001

Project Location: 5960 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, CA 92008

Project Applicant: Neil Mohr, General Manager
Palomar Transfer Station, Inc.
8514 Mast Blvd, Santee, CA 92071
(619) 449-9026

Project Description: An amendment to the Report of Facility Information (RFI), in the form of a Transfer Processing Report, to perform the following: correct grammatical and typographical errors; reflect operations from future to present tense for the completed construction of a bay used for green materials; reflect ancillary recycling activities to include white and brown goods, bulky goods (furniture), and carpet; add language regarding the handling and storage of containerized source separated organic waste; remove an on-site Limited Volume Transfer Operation (LVTO) operated by a former sublessee; describe activities conducted in the area formerly operated as a LVTO (including bin washing and storage); and, incorporate descriptions of the organic waste measurements and record keeping procedures required pursuant to SB-1383 Short-lived Climate Pollutants: Organic Waste Reductions regulations.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego, Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency

County Contact Person: Rebecca Lafreniere, REHS, (858) 289-8761

Date Form Completed: December 6, 2022

This is to advise that the County of San Diego Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency has approved the above-described project on December 6, 2022 and found the project to be exempt from the CEQA under the following criteria:

Exempt status and applicable section of the CEQA ("C") and/or State CEQA Guidelines ("G"): (check only one)

- Ministerial [C 21080(b)(1); G 15268]
- Declared Emergency [C 21080(b)(3); G 15269(a)]
- Emergency Project [C 21080(b)(4); G 15269(b)(c)]
- Statutory Exemption. C Section:
- Categorical Exemption. G Section: 15301 Existing Facility
- G 15061(b)(1) – Activity is exempt from the CEQA because it is not a project as defined in Section 15378.
- 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 and the activity is not subject to the CEQA.

Statement of reasons why project is exempt: (Fully explain how the project meets all of the Requirements of the Exemption)
An amendment to the facility's Report of Facility Information, in the form of a Transfer Processing Report, is authorized by Title 27, California Code of Regulations, Section 21665(c). The Report of Facility Information amendment approval is a ministerial action by the LEA. No expansion of the existing facility is proposed.

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

Signature:  Telephone: (619) 204-0702
Name: Catherine Dean Title: Supervising EHS

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.