

**Notice of Exemption (NOE) for Grant Projects
State Water Resource Control Board Concurrence**

Agreement Number: D2212208

Grantee: Occidental College

Lead Agency: State Water Resources Control Board

Project Title: Assessment of the Nearshore Rocky Reef Resources of Santa Monica Bay

Project Location (attach map, if applicable): Santa Monica Bay, Malibu, and Palos Verdes Peninsula

Project Description:

Biological surveys of fish, invertebrates, and algae on natural and artificial habitats in Santa Monica Bay, creation of a map of benthic substrate from publicly-available sources, climate change model.

Date NOE Filed:

County: Los Angeles

State Clearinghouse #:

CEQA Categorical/Statutory Exemptions: Check all exemptions the project meets:



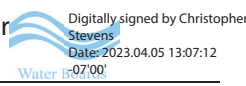
<input type="checkbox"/> Section 15301: Class 1 Existing Facilities	Operation, repair, maintenance and/or minor alteration of an existing structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Section 15302: Class 2 Replacement or Reconstruction	Replacement or reconstruction of an existing structure where the new or replacement structure is located on the same site
<input type="checkbox"/> Section 15303: Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures	Construction or remodification of a limited number of new or existing small structures
<input type="checkbox"/> Section 15304: Class 4 Minor Alteration to Land	Minor alteration to the condition of land, water and or vegetation with no negative impact to existing scenic trees
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 15306: Class 6 Information Collection	Basic data collection and research with no disturbance to an environmental resource
<input type="checkbox"/> Section 15262: Feasibility and Planning Studies	A project involving only feasibility or planning studies
<input type="checkbox"/> Section 15269: Emergency Projects	A project that is deemed an emergency as described in Section 15269
<input type="checkbox"/> Section 15333: Class 33 Small Habitat Restoration Projects	Project is five acres or less and ensures a positive impact for fish, plants or wildlife
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Provide Section number and description:

Exceptions to NOE: Must mark box indicating whether statement applies. If you mark "yes" then the NOE does not apply – call your GM

Yes No

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Location – Is the project located in a particularly sensitive environment where location exception applies? (for class 3,4,6)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cumulative Impact – Will there or have there been successive projects of the same type in the same place, and over time is becoming environmentally significant?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Significant Effect – Is there a reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scenic Highway – Could the project cause damage to the environment within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hazardous Waste Site – Is the project located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Historical Resources – Could the project cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource?

I certify to the best of my knowledge the information in this form is correct and the project is exempt from CEQA and will not result in any significant effect on the environment:

Grantee: Print: Wendy Sternberg	Project Manager Concurrence: Print: Caitlin Gray	State Water Board Concurrence: Print:
Signature: 	Signature: 	Signature: Christopher Stevens 
Date: 8/22/22	Date: 12/28/2022	Date: