

# Notice of Exemption

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**From:** California Regional Water Quality  
Control Board, San Diego Region  
2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100  
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**Project Title:** eTS 51092 Access Road Drainage Crossing at Z875024 El Cajon Project

**Project Applicant:** San Diego Gas and Electric Company (SDG&E)

**Project Location – Specific:** Near the community of Harbison Canyon on the unimproved segment of Rios Canyon Road, San Diego, CA 92021, assessor's parcel number 399-010-07-00. The Project's approximate center readings are latitude 32.834725, longitude -116.847809.

**Project Location – City:** Unincorporated

**Project Location:** San Diego County

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The project purpose is to perform maintenance on a damaged access road at a location where it crosses an unnamed ephemeral stream channel, tributary to Los Coches Creek, to ensure that SDG&E vehicles can safely access the transmission lines for maintenance and emergency repairs. The project consists of placing layers of various-sized rock fill into a 127-foot length of ephemeral stream channel and over the surface of the road within the utilities access road easement. The 0.01 acre of permanent impacts to non-wetland waters of the state will be mitigated through the purchase of mitigation bank credits at a ratio of 3:1, area mitigated to area impacted, from the Rancho Jamul Mitigation Bank.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region

**Name of Persons or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Jason Kapchinske, Senior Environmental Specialist

**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, Section 15301
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason why project is exempt:** The project proposes to repair and maintain a private electric power utility's existing facility through minor alteration of the road surface that involves no expansion of the existing use.

**Lead Agency**

**Contact Person:** Lisa Honma

**Area Code/Telephone/Extension:**619-521-3367

**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 or \_ No

**Signature:**

Title: Executive Officer

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resource Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resource Code. Revised 2011