Notice of Exemption

To:

Office of Planning and Research CEQA Submit

From:

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Project Title: Laguna Channel Pump Station and Channel Modifications Project-2023 (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-SBA-38056-R5)

Project Location (Santa Barbara County): Laguna Channel tributary to the Pacific Ocean; East Cabrillo Boulevard, Santa Barbara, CA, 93101; Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 033-120-016.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement Notification No. EPIMS-SBA-38056-R5, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the City of Santa Barbara- Public Works, Engineering Division, represented by Beth Anna Cornett.

The City of Santa Barbara proposes to conduct repairs and modifications to the Laguna Channel Pump Station Facility to improve reliability of the station. This includes replacing the damaged debris rack, replacing 200 linear feet of the slopes of both sides of Laguna channel with reinforced concrete where it is deteriorating, and improving the tidal gate structure. The project will require dewatering portions of Laguna Channel Creek to conduct work.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Santa Barbara- Public Works, Engineering Division

Exempt Status:	
☐ Statutory Exemption. [State code number]	
☐ Categorical Exemption. Class (1); California Code of Regulations, title 14, Sec	tion 15301
Reasons why project is exempt: This project is a repair and improvement of an existing negligible or no expansion of use.	g facility where there is
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