

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:  Mail Stop: A-33  
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Attn: CEQA Postings  
1600 Pacific Highway  
San Diego, CA 92101

FROM: Mail Stop: 029  
County of San Diego,  
Department of Parks and Recreation  
Attn: Chelsea Oakes  
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**SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152**

Project Name: Old Ironsides County Park Septic System Repairs

Project Location: 326 Harbison Canyon Road, El Cajon CA 92020 – Old Ironsides County Park

Project Applicant: County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation, 5500 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123 (858) 565-3600

Project Description: The proposed project would bring the existing septic system at Old Ironsides County Park into conformance with Department of Environmental Health and Quality requirements by replacing the existing septic system with a new septic system of approximately the same size to service the existing restroom facility.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

Date Form Completed: 02/06/2024

County Contact Person: Bradley Roberts

Telephone: (858) 837-2480

This is to advise that the County of San Diego Director of Department of General Services has approved the above described project on **February 1, 2024** 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)

- 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(s): 15301, 15302, 15304
- G 15182 – Residential Projects Pursuant to a Specific Plan
- 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: Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) is applicable because the proposed project involves the continued operation and minor alterations to the existing septic tank by replacing the septic system to service the existing restroom facility within an existing park facility involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Section 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction) applies to the proposed project because the existing septic system would be replaced by a new septic system and would have substantially the same purpose and capacity of the structure being replaced. Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) also applies to the proposed project because minor ground disturbance such as trenching would be required to install the new septic tank.

Additionally, the project would not impact environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern that are designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted by government agencies; does not contribute to cumulative environmental impact; would not have a significant impact on the environment due to unusual circumstances; does not damage scenic resources within a designated state scenic highway; is not on the list of Hazardous Waste and Substance Sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code; and does not cause adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

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) 315-9095

Name (Print): Chelsea Oakes Title: Group Program 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 twelve months. Reference: CEQA Guidelines Section 15062.