

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:  Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk  
Attn: Fish and Wildlife Notices  
1600 Pacific Highway, Suite 260, MS A-33  
San Diego, CA 92101

FROM: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works  
Environmental Services Unit  
**Attn: Samantha Mayer**  
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, MS O-332  
San Diego, CA 92123

**SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152**

Project Name: RAIN GAUGE INSTALLATION AT JACUMBA AIRPORT (DISTRICT: 2)

Project Location: Jacumba Airport in unincorporated community of Jacumba within San Diego County, CA

Project Applicant: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works, Flood Control  
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 410

Project Description: The proposed action includes installation of a rain gauge at Jacumba Airport to monitor rainfall. The rain gauge device would be mounted within a cylindrical container (approximately 10ft tall x 2ft wide), which contains the necessary electrical and communication equipment to operate the device. The rain gauge will be installed on a new 3ft wide concrete pad in a disturbed location immediately adjacent to the existing disturbed airport use areas. No new access routes are necessary as the rain gauge will be accessed on-foot from the existing airport parking areas.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

County Contact Person: Sara Agahi Telephone: (858) 694-2665

Date Form Completed: February 9, 2024

This is to advise that the County of San Diego Department of Public Works (County decision-making body) has approved the above described project on February 8, 2024 and found the project to be exempt from CEQA under the following criteria:

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

- Categorical Exemption:** Sec. G 15306 - Information Collection
- Declared Emergency:** Sec. C 21080(b)(3); Sec. G 15269(a)
- Emergency Project:** Sec. C 21080(b)(4); Sec. G 15269(b)(c)
- General:** Sec. C.
- Ministerial:** Sec. C 21080(b)(1); G 15268
- Preliminary Review:** Sec. G
- Statutory Exemption:** Sec. G

**Statement of reasons why project is exempt:** Section 15306 of the State CEQA Guidelines exempts from CEQA review actions that consist of "basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource." The proposed project consists of installation of a rain gauge in a disturbed location adjacent to a public airport for the purpose of monitoring rainfall in the community of Jacumba. As such, the proposed project is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15306 of the State CEQA Guidelines because it involves data collection that would not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

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

Signature: Jeff Kashak Telephone: (858) 288-5740

Name (Print): Jeff Kashak Title: Environmental Planning 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 nine months. Reference: CEQA Guidelines Section 15062.