



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2024 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
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 37-03/13/2024-0179
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LEAD AGENCY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 03/13/2024
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SAN DIEGO	DOCUMENT NUMBER 37-2024-0179	

PROJECT TITLE
 REPLACEMENT OF CORAL TREES AT SHERATON SAN DIEGO HOTEL AND MARINA

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME OLIVER KRZYMOWSKI, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING, KSL RESORTS, LLC	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER 619-692-2706
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 1380 HARBOR ISLAND DRIVE	CITY SAN DIEGO	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 92101

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,051.25	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)/(ND)	\$2,916.75	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,377.25	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee(State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$	50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	0.00

PAYMENT METHOD

Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE <i>X Maria Gomez</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE San Diego County Clerk, MARIA GOMEZ, Deputy
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Payment Reference #: CHECK # 0023993



**SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
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Project Title

**REPLACEMENT OF CORAL TREES AT SHERATON SAN DIEGO HOTEL AND
MARINA**

Check Document being Filed:

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- Other (Please fill in type):

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COUNTY CLERK ON March 13, 2024

Posted March 13, 2024 **Removed** _____

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Notice of Exemption

CEQA Guidelines Appendix E

To: ■ San Diego County Recorder/County Clerk
1600 Pacific Highway, Suite 260
San Diego, CA 92101-2480

From: ■ San Diego Unified Port District
Development Services Department
3165 Pacific Highway
San Diego, CA 92101

Project Title: Replacement of Coral Trees at Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina

Project Location – Specific: 1590 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego, CA 92101

Project location – City: San Diego

Project Location – County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The proposed project would consist of the removal of coastal coral trees (coral tree) (scientific name, *Erythrina caffra*), tree replacement replanting and additional plantings by Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina (Applicant) in the city of San Diego, California. Two (2) coral tree failures occurred in 2023, one resulting in property damage. A tree report was prepared by Monarch Tree Services dated June 2023 indicating that existing coral trees within the Applicant’s leasehold could result in imminent failures. The Applicant proposes the removal of 17 coral trees near the sidewalk along Harbor Island Drive since failure in this location could result in severe liability or personal injury due to the potential; for damages to parked vehicles and/or its occupants, or injury to pedestrians passing by.

Work to complete the proposed project involves removing up to 17 existing coral trees and replanting of a minimum of 17 trees, associated staging, work trucks and equipment, and ongoing necessary maintenance. The trees proposed for replacement are anticipated to be the Pink Trumpet Tree, with a minimum box size of 24-inches, but tree species are subject to change due to nursery availability. The tree(s) proposed for replacement may be planted in a different location from where a coral tree was previously removed (see Attachment 1). Factors, such as the location of existing irrigation systems, providing shade for the Applicant’s parking lot, and the opportunity to improve sight lines to San Diego Bay, have been considered in deciding the locations for replanting trees. Staging would typically occur near the coral tree removal and tree replanting sites. The proposed project also consists of maintenance and upgrade of existing landscaping to enhance the landscaped beds along Harbor Island Drive, including the installation of 20 15-gallon plants, 60 5-gallon plants, and 40 cubic yards of forest fine mulch.

The following project features shall apply:

1. Tree and plant species proposed for planting shall be drought-tolerant, either native or non-invasive plant species, and would reflect the palette of trees and shrubs which already exist elsewhere on Tidelands.
2. Pedestrian traffic along the Harbor Island Drive sidewalk would be temporarily rerouted during work, and the Applicant shall install proper signage to notify members of the public and surrounding tenants a minimum of 72 hours prior to tree removal, stump grinding, replanting, or additional preparation or clean-up efforts.
3. If the bird breeding and nesting season cannot be avoided and removal must occur between February 15 and September 1 to address safety concerns, a breeding and nesting bird survey shall be conducted prior to tree removal activities. One week prior to tree removal, a qualified biologist or ornithologist shall survey the trees to be removed to detect breeding behavior and/or nests. If an active nest is located, all work within 500 feet of the nest shall be postponed until such nest is vacated and the juveniles have fledged and when there is no attempt of a second nesting.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Diego Unified Port District (SDUPD)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Oliver Krzymowski, Assistant Director of Engineering, KSL Resorts, LLC, 1380 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego, CA 92101; (619) 692-2706

2023-118

- 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 Exemptions: Existing Facilities (SG § 15301) (Class 1)**
 - Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reason Why Project is Exempt: The proposed project is determined to be Categorical Exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Section 3.a.(12) of the District's Guidelines for Compliance with CEQA because it would consist of maintenance to existing landscaping that would involve negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing and would not have any permanent effects on the environment. Section 3.a.(12) of the District's CEQA Guidelines is as follows:

3.a. Existing Facilities (SG § 15301) (Class 1): Includes operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, including but not limited to:

(12) Maintenance of existing landscaping, native growth, and water supply reservoirs.

Lead Agency Contact Person and Telephone Number: Davin Cox, (619) 821-6293

Signature:  **Date:** 2/13/24 **Title:** Assistant Planner

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR/Clerk:

San Diego County



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Cashier Date: 03/13/2024
Cashier Location: SD

Print Date: 03/13/2024 9:51 am

Payment Summary

Total Fees	\$50.00
Total Payments	\$50.00
Balance:	\$0.00

Payment

CHECK PAYMENT #0023993 \$50.00

Total Payments \$50.00

Filing

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Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee \$50.00

Total Fees Due: \$50.00

Grand Total - All Documents: \$50.00