

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: South Coast Water District
31592 West Street
Laguna Beach, CA 92651

County Clerk

County of: Orange
601 North Ross Street
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Project Title: Niguel Shores Water Service Replacements Project

Project Applicant: South Coast Water District

Project Location - Specific:

The Project would take place in the City of Dana Point along Periwinkle Drive and Leeward Drive within the Niguel Shores Community Association surrounded by an urban environment including roads and single-family homes.

Project Location - City: Dana Point Project Location - County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed Niguel Shores Water Service Replacements Project (Project) involves the removal and replacement 20 water services, 5 fire hydrant assemblies, and 5 valve/tee assemblies along Periwinkle Drive and Leeward Drive within the Niguel Shores Community Association in the City of Dana Point (City). The South Coast Water District (SCWD) would serve as the lead agency for this Project. The proposed Project would involve the following activities - removal and replacement of 20 water service lines, 5 fire hydrants, and 5 valve/tee assemblies; modification of existing facilities as required to facilitate interface and connection to new improvements; disinfection of piping to local and State Health Department standards; connection of new piping to the existing water system; and removal and replacement of pavement to restore paving and sitework to preconstruction conditions. All improvements would be located within SCWD's water service area on public right-of-way (ROW) and one portion of private residential road in the Niguel Shores Community Association.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: South Coast Water District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: South Coast Water District

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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 2 Section 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction)
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is limited to the removal and replacement of existing outdated water service infrastructure and is categorically exempt under Section 15302, Class 2(c) which includes the replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Dylan La France, PE Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 949-342-2178

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? [X] Yes [] No

Signature: [Signature] Date: 4/23/24 Title: Senior Engineer

[X] Signed by Lead Agency [] Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 2103 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR:

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.