

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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County Clerk
County of: San Diego
1600 Pacific Highway, Suite 260
San Diego, CA 92101

From: (Public Agency): Olivenhain Municipal Water District
1966 Olivenhain Road
Encinitas, CA 92024
(Address)

Project Title: San Dieguito Brackish Groundwater Desalination Project Hydrogeologic Investigation

Project Applicant: Olivenhain Municipal Water District (OMWD)

Project Location - Specific:

An approximately 0.25-acre area within the La Valle Coastal Club Golf Course (5690 Cancha de Golf)

Project Location - City: Rancho Santa Fe Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project consists of the drilling of a new exploratory borehole and isolated aquifer zone testing at this borehole, along with installation of a nested monitoring well. The project also includes conducting a pumping test at the Hargis Well.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: OMWD

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: OMWD

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 6 (Section 15306)
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The purpose of the project is to collect data on subsurface hydrogeologic conditions in the project area to inform decision-making on the feasibility of the San Dieguito Brackish Groundwater Desalination Project. The project would involve an 0.25-acre area for well drilling and aquifer testing, and not result in a serious or major disturbance of an environmental resource. The project would be part of a study leading to an action which OMWD has not yet approved, adopted, or funded. None of the exceptions to the use of a categorical exemption (CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2) apply to the project.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Joey Randall, Assistant General Manager Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760-753-6466

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? Yes No

Signature: Kimberly Thorne Date: 9/18/24 Title: General Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: