

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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County Assessor/Recorder/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: Annisa Busch**  
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: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PORTIONS OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE, COUNTY CODE § 811.101, ET SEQ. AND RELATED CEQA FINDING (9/25/2024 – FIRST READING ORDINANCE; 10/9/2024 – ADOPT ORDINANCE) (DISTRICTS: ALL)

Project Location: Countywide, County of San Diego

Project Applicant: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works  
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123

Project Description: The proposed action includes adopting an ordinance amendment to the County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance to reflect the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA's) current standards for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), to ensure continued successful participation in the Community Rating System (CRS) program, and to align the local floodplain map revision Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) requirements with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

County Contact Person: William Morgan Telephone: 858-694-3087

Date Form Completed: October 9, 2024


This is to advise that the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors (County decision-making body) has approved the above-described project on October 9, 2024 (#1) 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
- 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 15060 (c)(2)
- Statutory Exemption:** Sec. G

**Statement of reasons why project is exempt:** Section 15060(c)(2) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines provides that a project is not subject to CEQA review if the "activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment." The proposed action includes approval of revisions to the existing Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance for the purpose of compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program, consistency with the Code of Federal Regulations, and maximizing County credits in FEMA's Community Rating System. As such, the proposed activity will not result in any direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change to the environment, and accordingly, is exempt from CEQA review pursuant to Section 15060(c)(2) of the CEQA Guidelines.

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

Signature:  Telephone: (619) 415-9920

Name (Print): Emily Roberts Title: Land Use / Environmental Planner III

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.