

# Notice of Exemption

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From: California Regional Water Quality  
Control Board, San Diego Region  
2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100  
San Diego, CA 92108

**Project Title:** Bridge 257.2 Replacement Project

**Project Applicant:** San Diego Association of Governments

**Project Location – Specific:** Project is the railroad line in the University City area of San Diego near Gilman Drive exit off of Interstate 5. 32.84778, -117.23492

**Project Location – City:** San Diego

**Project Location:** San Diego County

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The Project consists of the replacement of Bridge 257.2, construction of approximately one mile of track south of the bridge, and associated drainage and signal improvements. The Project will replace the aging double track Bridge 257.2 trestle bridge with a new double track concrete bridge structure. The demolition of the current bridge structure will require the removal of 66 12-inch piles and replace with 24 30-inch cast-in drilled hole piles. Work also includes the replacement of two existing culverts (Culvert 256.8 and 256.9), improvements to the storm drainage system at MP 257.1, and construction of a trackside ditch to convey flows along the north and west side of the tracks.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** California Regional Water Quality Control Board

**Name of Persons or Agency Carrying Out Project:** San Diego Association of Governments

**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 Exemption. State type and section number: California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15275

Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason why project is exempt:** The project involves the replacement and improvements of an existing bridge that serves a commuter and passenger rail line in San Diego.

**Responsible Agency**

**Contact Person:** Alan Monji

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**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 or  No

**Signature:**

Title: Executive Officer

Signed by Responsible Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resource Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resource Code.