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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

From: Development Services Department
32400 Paseo Adelanto
San Juan Capistrano, California 92675

1. **APPLICANT:** City of San Juan Capistrano
2. **ADDRESS:** 32400 Paseo Adelanto, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675
3. **PHONE NUMBER:** (949) 487-4307
4. **LEAD AGENCY:** City of San Juan Capistrano, 32400 Paseo Adelanto, SJC, CA, 92675
5. **PROJECT MGR.:** Noreen Swiontek, Environmental Programs Analyst
6. **PHONE NUMBER:** (949) 487-4307
7. **PROJECT TITLE:** Approval for Agreement with R3 Consulting Group, Inc..
8. **PROJECT LOCATION:** N/A

9. DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:

The City is executing an Agreement with R3 Consulting Group, Inc. to assist with County landfill agreement negotiations.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

This project has been reviewed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The City's Environmental Administrator has determined that the execution of an agreement amendment is categorically exempt from further review under Section 15061 (b)(3).

Therefore, the City Council has determined that further environmental evaluation is not required because:

- [] The project is not subject to CEQA because it "does not involve the exercise of discretionary power," or "will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment," or, "is not a project as defined in Section 15378 of the CEQA guidelines." (Sections 15060(c)(1), (2) & (3)); or,
- [X] "The activity is covered by the common sense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA" (Section 15061(b)(3)); or,
- [] The project is statutorily exempt, Section 15268, Ministerial Project (Sections 15260-15277); or,
- [] In the alternative, the project is categorically exempt per State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301 (Class 1, Existing Facilities) and Section 15332 (Class 32, In-Fill Development).

10. Was a public hearing held by the Lead Agency to consider the exemption?

Yes No If yes, the date of the public hearing was:

Joel Rojas, Environmental Administrator

March 6, 2025

Date