

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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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 RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT CALIFORNIA STREAM GAGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CALSIP) GRANT FROM CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL ACTION TO COMPLETE GRANT PROCESS, AND CEQA EXEMPTION FINDING (DISTRICTS: 2 & 5)

Project Location: Unincorporated area of the County of San Diego

Project Applicant: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 472, San Diego, CA 92123

Project Description: Adopt a resolution for the Board to accept the California Stream Gage Improvement Program (CalSIP) grant and authorize additional action to complete the grant process. The San Diego County Flood Control District (District) applied for funding through the CalSIP in September 2024 and has received notice of award for \$642,000 from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR). The resolution will enable the County to meet grant requirements, accept grant funding, and proceed with the necessary actions to implement the program and improve its flood monitoring and response capabilities.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

County Contact Person: Richard Whipple Telephone: 619-981-2692

Date Form Completed: April 23, 2025


This is to advise that the County of San Diego Board of Directors, San Diego County Flood Control District (County decision-making body) has approved the above-described project on April 23, 2025 (#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 15061 (b)(3)
- Statutory Exemption:** Sec. G

Statement of reasons why project is exempt: Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines exempts from CEQA review those projects 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 proposed activity is the adoption of resolutions to authorize District staff to apply for and accept grant funding for flood control and flood-related disaster response. The approval of the resolutions does not commit the District to a particular project or guarantee that any funding for such a project will be sought or obtained. The proposed activity will not, accordingly, have any significant effect on the environment and is exempt from CEQA review by Section 15061(b)(3) 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.