

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: Anissa Busch
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SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152

Project Name: GILLESPIE FIELD – TENTH AMENDMENT TO THE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AND THE CITY OF EL CAJON CREATING THE GILLESPIE FIELD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AND RELATED CEQA FINDINGS (DISTRICT: 2)

Project Location: The project is located at Gillespie Field Airport in the City of El Cajon within San Diego County, California

Project Applicant: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works, Airports Division
1960 Joe Crosson Drive, MS S-119, El Cajon, CA 92020

Project Description: The project consists of approval of the Tenth amendment to the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (JPA) between the County of San Diego and the City of El Cajon (collectively Gillespie Field Development Council; GFDC), to enable GFDC to continue to provide expertise and guidance to County staff, City of El Cajon, and County Board of Supervisors. The JPA extends the term of the agreement an additional ten years from June 30, 2025 until June 30, 2035, to minimize administrative actions and streamline the County's business and GFDC activities. The proposed action includes adopting the aforementioned amendment.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

County Contact Person: Jamie Abbott, Director of Airports Telephone: 619-956-4800

Date Form Completed: May 7, 2025


This is to advise that the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors (County decision-making body) has approved the above described project on May 7, 2025 (#3) 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)

- Declared Emergency** [C 21080(b)(3); G 15269(a)]
- Emergency Project** [C 21080(b)(4); G 15269(b)(c)]
- Statutory Exemption**. C Section:
- Categorical Exemption**. G Section: 15304
- G 15182 – Residential Projects Pursuant to a Specific Plan
- G 15060(c)(3) - Activity is exempt from the CEQA because it is not a project as defined in Section 15378
- G 15060(c)(2) – The activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.
- G 15061(b)(1) - Activity is exempt from the CEQA because it is not a project as defined in Section 15378.
- G 15061(b)(3) - It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment and the activity is not subject to the CEQA.

Statement of reasons why project is exempt: Section 15060(c)(3) of CEQA Guidelines provides that a project is not subject to CEQA review if "the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378." The proposed action involves approval of an existing agreement amendment and is not a project as defined in Section 15378 because it involves administrative activities of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. Accordingly, the proposed action is exempt from CEQA review pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of 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) 385-7591
Name (Print): Masha Landau Title: 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.