



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Date of Notice: June 26, 2024

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

WBS No. B-20148.02.06

PROJECT NAME: North City Water Reclamation Plant Chiller Replacement

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: University

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 6

LOCATION: North City Water Reclamation Plant, 4949 Eastgate Mall, San Diego, CA 92121

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project proposes the following improvements within the existing structures of the North City Water Reclamation Plant (NCWRP): replacement of three existing chillers, replacement of three existing condenser water pumps, replacement of two existing cooling towers, replacement of existing electrical appurtenances to accommodate new improvements, installation of approximately 100 linear feet of centrate line piping, and replacement and installation of other related appurtenances such as system controls and isolation valves. All work will occur within the existing structures of the NCWRP.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15301(a) and (b) (Existing Facilities), 15302(c) (Replacement or Reconstruction), and 15303(d) (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures).

ENTITY MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: City of San Diego Engineering & Capital Projects Department

STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The City of San Diego conducted an environmental review which determined that the project meets the categorical exemption criteria set forth in CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15301(a)(b) (Existing Facilities), which allows for the maintenance and minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use, such as interior alteration to existing water facilities and their related appurtenances; Section 15302(c) (Replacement or Reconstruction), which allows for the replacement of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, such as the replacement of existing condenser water pumps, chillers, cooling towers, and their related appurtenances;

Section 15303(d) (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), which allows for the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities, such as the installation of new piping and appurtenances required to accommodate replacement water facilities; and where the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 would not apply.

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On June 26, 2024, the City of San Diego made the above-referenced environmental determination pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This determination is appealable to the City Council. If you have any questions about this determination, contact the City Project Manager listed above.

Applications to appeal CEQA determinations made by staff to the City Council must be filed in the Office of the City Clerk within five (5) business days from the date of the posting of this Notice July 3, 2024. Appeal procedures are described in Information Bulletin 505 (<https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/dsdib505.pdf>). Appeals to the City Clerk must be filed by email or in person as follows:

- 1) Appeals filed via E-mail: The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form DS-3031 can be obtained at <https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf>. Send the completed appeal application form (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation in pdf format) by email to Hearings1@sandiego.gov by 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the appeal period; your email appeal will be acknowledged within 24 hours. You must separately mail the appeal fee by check payable to the City Treasurer to: City Clerk/Appeal, MS 2A, 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101. The appeal filing fee must be United States Postal Service (USPS) postmarked within five (5) business days of the date the appeal is filed.
- 2) Appeals filed in person: The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form DS-3031 can be obtained at <https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf>. Deposit the fully completed appeal application (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation) to the City Administration Building – Public Information Counter (Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday excluding City-approved holidays), 1st Floor Lobby, located at 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101, by 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the appeal period. The completed appeal form shall include the required appeal fee, with a check payable to: City Treasurer. Please include the project name on the memo line of the check/money order. This Drop-Off Box is checked daily, and payments are processed the following business day.

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