



Date of Notice October 31, 2024

# NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

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**PROJECT NAME/NUMBER:** Sewer Pump Station 64 Valve Replacements  
**COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:** Torrey Pines Community Planning Area  
**COUNCIL DISTRICTS:** 1

**LOCATION:** Sewer Pump Station 64 (SPS 64) is located at 10745 Roselle Street, San Diego, California 92121 (APN: 3401-50-2900). The project location is sited within the Torrey Pines Community Planning Area and City Council District 1. The project site is not located within the City's Multi-Habitat Planning Area (MHPA).

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The objective of this project is to remove four existing valves (two check valves and two plug valves) at SPS 64 and replace them with four new valves that are similar in size and specifications. SPS 64 conveys a daily flow of 20 million gallons per day (MGD) to the North City Water Reclamation Plant. Check valves and plug valves are essential for regulating sewage flow at pump stations. SPS 64 has two check valves and two plug valves that accrued twenty-five years of service and are at the conclusion of their operational life. These valves are deemed in critical condition as they have degraded structurally with age and have the potential risk for failure. A potential failure of SPS 64, would pose a very significant threat to public safety with sewage spills and adversely disturb wastewater operations. New valve replacements would sustain SPS 64 operability and ensure public safety. All valve replacement work would occur within the existing premises of SPS 64. No impacts to biological and cultural resources would occur.

**ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL:** City of San Diego

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** Categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(A) & (B) Existing Facilities

**ENTITY MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** City of San Diego Public Utilities Department

**STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The City of San Diego conducted an environmental review that determined the project would not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(a)(b) for existing facilities. Valve replacements qualify as necessary maintenance of an existing facility with interior or exterior alterations for a publicly owned utility that provides sewerage and proposes negligible or no expansion of use. Furthermore, Sections 15301(a)(b) permits interior or exterior alternations for the repair and maintenance of existing facilities that are publicly

owned utilities; and where the exceptions listed in CEQA Section 15300.2 would not apply as no cumulative impacts were identified; no significant effects on the environment were identified; the project is not adjacent to a scenic highway; the site is not on a list of hazardous waste sites pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and no substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource would occur.

**PROJECT MANAGER:** Aaron Robinson

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On October 31, 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 Project Manager listed above.

Applications to appeal the CEQA determination to the City Council must be filed with the Office of the Clerk within five (5) business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (November 7, 2024). Per the revised Public Notice issued by the Office of the City Clerk on September 28, 2021, appeals to the City Clerk must be filed via e-mail or in-person as follows:

1. Appeals filed via Email: 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 form (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation in pdf format) by email to [Hearings1@sandiego.gov](mailto:Hearings1@sandiego.gov) by 5:00p.m. on the last day of the appeal period; your email appeal will be acknowledged within 24 business 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) before or on the final date of the appeal.
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>. Bring the fully completed appeal application [DS-3031](#) (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation) to the City Administration Building— Public Information Counter (Open 8:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday excluding City approved holidays), 1st Floor Lobby, located at 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101, by 5:00pm 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.

The appeal application can also be obtained from the City Clerk, 202 'C' Street, Second Floor, San Diego, CA 92101.

This information will be made available in alternative formats upon request.