

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Date of Notice: November 6, 2024

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS

WBS#: B-25066.02.06

PROJECT NAME: Stormwater Channel Emergency Permanent Repairs

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Southeastern San Diego and Encanto Neighborhoods

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 4, 8

LOCATION: The project sites are located within the Akins Channel from 64th Street to 69th Street and within the Cottonwood Channel at 4529 Nordica Avenue and 2128 Osborne Street.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project will conduct permanent structural repairs to the damaged concrete segments along the Akins and Cottonwood Channels. Failure to make these structural repairs increases the likelihood of future flooding, erosion, impacts to private property and the public right-of-way, and threatens life and safety. The proposed work is the minimum necessary to ensure adequate operational capacity of stormwater infrastructure. Following the completion of work, all areas impacted by the emergency will be restored to their pre-impact condition, including the restoration of environmentally sensitive habitats impacted by the project.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Statute Sections 21080(b)(2) and (4) and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15269(b) and (c) (Emergency Projects).

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

STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The City of San Diego conducted an environmental review that determined the project meets the definition of an "Emergency" as defined in CEQA Guidelines Section 15359 (Emergency) as the project involves a sudden, unexpected occurrence, involving a clear and imminent danger, demanding immediate action to prevent or mitigate loss of, or damage to, life, health, property, or essential public services. This emergency repair is required in order to protect public health, safety and property, and is supported by the expert opinion of the City Engineer. Thus, this emergency activity is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Statute Section 21080(b)(2) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(b) (Emergency Projects), which exempts emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to public health, safety or welfare. This activity is also statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Statute Section 21080(b)(4) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c) (Emergency Projects), which exempts specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency.

CITY PROJECT MANAGER: MAILING ADDRESS: PHONE NUMBER/E-MAIL:

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On November 6, 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 determination 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 (by November 14, 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 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.

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

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