

Date of Notice February 12, 2025 NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT 21005190

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: COUNCIL DISTRICTS: Right of Entry permit for AECOM N/A – County N/A – County

LOCATION: East of Lyons Valley Road in San Diego, California within the Barrett watershed area.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Right of Entry (ROE) permit to AECOM to continue monitoring, treating and documentation of the Centaurea Solstitialis (Yellow Starthistle; YST) population at Eichenlaub Ranch as part of its Adaptive Weed Control Strategy (AWCS) associated with weed control management of the Sunrise Powerlink. Active management has been conducted at this location annually since 2011 and as part of the AWCS since 2013. During monitoring, all YST individuals are counted, and their location is mapped, then they are removed by hand. Any individuals with potential for viable seed are bagged and disposed at an off-site facility. Management activities will also include the collection of native seed from Eichenlaub ranch to be sown back on site. The Project is located on City of San Diego Public Utilities Department-owned land in the County of San Diego: Eichenlaub Ranch, Barrett Watershed area.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: Categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15304 (Minor Alterations of Land)

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 15304, (Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land) which includes minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes; and exceptions listed in CEQA Section 15300.2 would not apply in that no cumulative impacts were identified; no significant effects on the environment were identified; the project is not adjacent to a scenic highway; no historical resources would be affected by the action; and the project was not identified on a list of hazardous waste sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

PROJECT MANAGER: Dirk Smith MAILING ADDRESS: 9192 Topaz Way (MS 901A) San Diego, CA 92123 PHONE NUMBER: 858-614-5722

On February 12, 2025, 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 (February 20, 2025). 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:

- <u>Appeals filed via Email</u>: The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form <u>DS-3031</u>can be obtained at: <u>https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf</u>. Send the completed appeal form (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation in pdf format) by email to <u>Hearings1@sandiego.gov</u> 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. <u>Appeals filed In-Person</u>: The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form <u>DS-3031</u> can be obtained at: <u>https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf</u>. Bring the fully completed appeal application <u>DS-3031</u> (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.

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