



**Date of Notice:** November 28, 2023

# **NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION**

## **PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

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**PROJECT NAME:** The Southcrest Trails Neighborhood Park Maintenance Project

**COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:** Southeastern San Diego

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** District 8

**LOCATION:** Southcrest Trails Neighborhood Park, 3605 Beta Street, San Diego, CA 92113

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed scope of work for the maintenance and trail restoration of Southcrest Trails Neighborhood Park includes maintenance such as brush cutting along the developed trail, trimming tree branches, removal of invasive plants and trees, planting native trees, irrigation repair and installation, rebuilding and resetting the existing trail borders and walkways, and replacing metal benches with tree trunks (recycled from felled trees in parks), for natural seating and aesthetics. The proposed work will be done by hand using hand tools and outside of bird breeding seasons. Proposed education and training activities are lessons provided by Park Rangers and Biologist regarding native vs. non-native plant material and plant ID education.

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

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land).

**ENTITY MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** City of San Diego Mayor-Appointed Designee.

**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 (Existing Facilities) which consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) which consists of 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 where the exceptions listed in CEQA Guidelines 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.

**CITY CONTACT:** Gina Dulay, Deputy Director

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On November 28, 2023, the City of San Diego made the above-referenced environmental determination pursuant to CEQA. This determination is appealable to the City Council. If you have any questions about this determination, contact the City Contact 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 (**December 5, 2023**). 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@sanidiego.gov](mailto:Hearings1@sanidiego.gov) by 5:00pm 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.

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