

Date of Notice: August 13, 2025

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

WBS No. B-24045.02.06

PROJECT NAME: Design Consultant Services for Citywide Referral Replace 2

COMMUNITY PLAN AREAS: Mira Mesa, Reserve, and Scripps Miramar Ranch

COUNCIL DISTRICTS: 1, 5, and 7

LOCATION: The proposed project would be located within the City's public right-of-way and City easements. Work would occur on Caminito Rio Branco, De La Valle Place, Les Arbres Place, Les Fleurs Terrace, Rue Des Amis, San Andres Drive, and Westview Parkway.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed action is for the approval of a design consultant services contract with WSP for the Citywide Referral Replace 2 project. The contract would include project management, engineering services, construction documents, geotechnical investigation, community outreach, bid and award support, and construction-phase design services. The geotechnical investigation would involve research, borings, subsurface utility exploration, testing, and reporting to provide recommendations for the project design.

A portion of the project is located adjacent to the City's Multi-Habitat Planning Area (MHPA) and would be required to comply with the MHPA Land Use Adjacency Guidelines, as specified in Section 1.4.3 of the Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP) Subarea Plan.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15262 (Feasibility and Planning Studies).

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 statutory exemption criteria set forth in CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15262 (Feasibility and Planning Studies), for approval of

the design consultant services contract, which includes subsurface geotechnical services and utility exploration.

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On August 13, 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 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 ten (10) business days from the date of the posting of this Notice August 27, 2025. 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.

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

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