



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Date of Notice: December 5, 2025

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

WBS No.: B-23148.02.06

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: Otay Mesa Road Pedestrian Improvements

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: San Ysidro

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 8

LOCATION: The proposed project is located within the Otay Mesa Road right of way, adjacent to the San Ysidro Middle School parking lot (4345 Otay Mesa Road, San Diego, CA 92154) and the San Ysidro Elementary School District parking lot (4350 Otay Mesa Road, San Diego, CA 92154).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mayoral approval to award a construction contract to construct approximately 250 linear feet of new sidewalk along the west side of Otay Mesa Road and improve the existing sidewalk along the east side of Otay Mesa Road, inclusive of curbs, gutters, and curb ramps for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The proposed project would also install a new crosswalk with rectangular rapid flash beacons and a streetlight adjacent to the San Ysidro Middle School parking lot entrance, inclusive of new electrical conduit, pull boxes, signage, and striping, and the removal of ornamental vegetation within the footprint of the sidewalk improvements.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures).

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 categorical exemption criteria set forth in CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities), which allows for the repair, maintenance or minor alterations of existing public facilities or topographical features such as existing sidewalks; and 15303 (New Construction or Conversion) which allow for the construction of a limited number of new small facilities which include new sidewalks, curb ramps, curb and gutter, streetlights, signage, and rectangular rapid flash beacons; and where exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 would not apply.

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On December 5, 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 five (5) from the date of the posting of this Notice (by December 12, 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 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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