



**Date of Notice:** January 12, 2026

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

## **SPECIAL EVENTS DEPARTMENT**

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**PROJECT NAME:** Special Event Permit - Tritonman 2026

**COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:** Mission Bay Park

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** 2

**LOCATION:** Mission Bay and Fiesta Island, Tecolote Shores Park (see map attached)

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Special Event Permit for a two-day triathlon race event that would include vendors, music, the temporary use of tents, a generator, tables, pre-packaged food, food trucks, fencing and/or barriers, portable restrooms, trash and recycling containers, sound amplification, and a transition area, in Mission Bay Park on February 28 -March 1, 2026. Noise associated with the event activities and set-up/dismantling would occur from February 27, 2026, at 9 AM to March 2, 2026, at 1 PM. Set-up would occur on February 27, 2026, from 9 AM to 5 PM, the event would occur on February 28 -March 1, 2026, from 4 AM to 1 PM on each day, and dismantling would occur on March 2, 2026, from 7 AM to 1 PM. The start, finish and transition area would be at Tecolote Shores Park within Mission Bay Park. The swim would occur in Mission Bay between Fiesta Island and Tecolote North Shores Park, the bicycling would occur on Fiesta Island, and the run would occur on pathways in Tecolote Shores North Park. See map attached.

Road closures associated with the event would be on February 28 -March 1, 2026, from 4 AM to 9 AM and would include:

- East Mission Bay Drive from Sea World Drive to San Diego Mission Bay Resort Parking lot. Parking along those streets will also be prohibited from 4 AM to 10 AM.
- Fiesta Island Road from East Mission Bay Drive to East Mission Bay Drive (loop)

The event would utilize:

- approximately 42 parking spaces in the 1292-1344 East Mission Bay Drive parking lot from 4 AM to 10 AM
- 30 spaces in the Fiesta Island dirt lot from 4 AM to 10 AM
- 10 parking spaces in the 34 E Mission Bay Drive (southmost parking spaces) from 5 AM on February 27, 2026, until 5 PM on March 1, 2026.

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

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** Categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities); Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land); Section 15311 (Accessory Structures).

**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(s): Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) which allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alterations of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use; Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) which allows for minor, temporary use of land that has negligible or no permanent effects on the environment; Section 15311 (Accessory Structures) which allows for construction, or placement of minor structures accessory to existing commercial, industrial, or institutional facilities, including, but not limited to, temporary use items in publicly owned facilities or other facilities designated for public use; 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.

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On January 12, 2026, 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 Contact listed above.

Applications to appeal CEQA determination to the City Council must be filed with the Office of the Clerk within 5 business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (**January 20, 2026**).

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 via email or in-person as follows:

1. **Appeals filed via E-mail:** The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form [DS-3031](https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf) 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](mailto:Hearings1@sandiego.gov) 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. **Appeals filed In-Person:** The Environmental Determination Appeal Application Form [DS-3031](https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/development-services/pdf/industry/forms/ds3031.pdf) 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, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Lobby, San Diego, CA 92101. This information will be made available in alternative formats upon request.

**POSTED ON THE CITY'S CEQA WEBSITE**

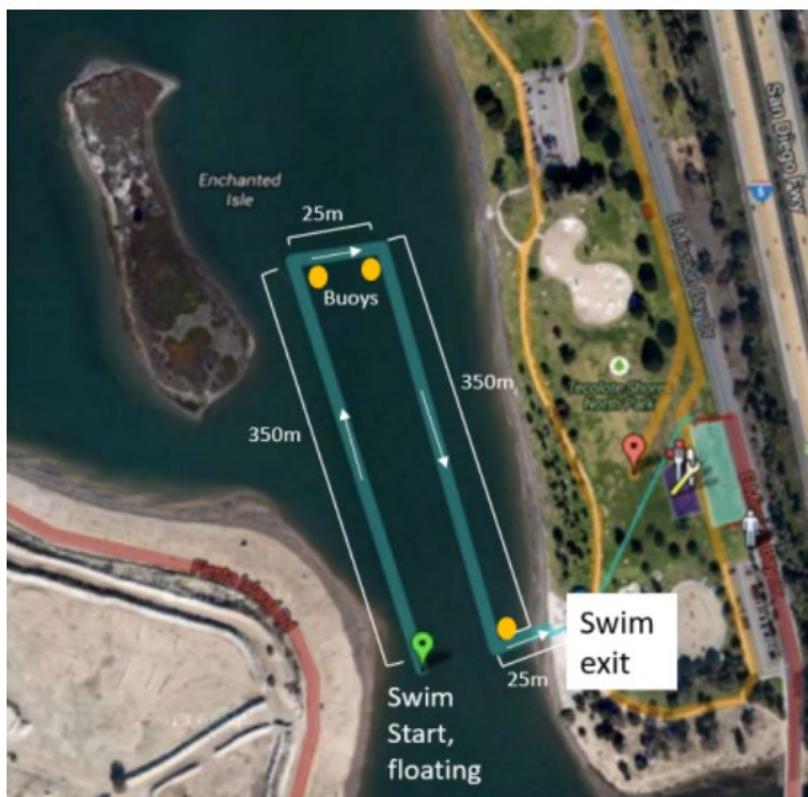
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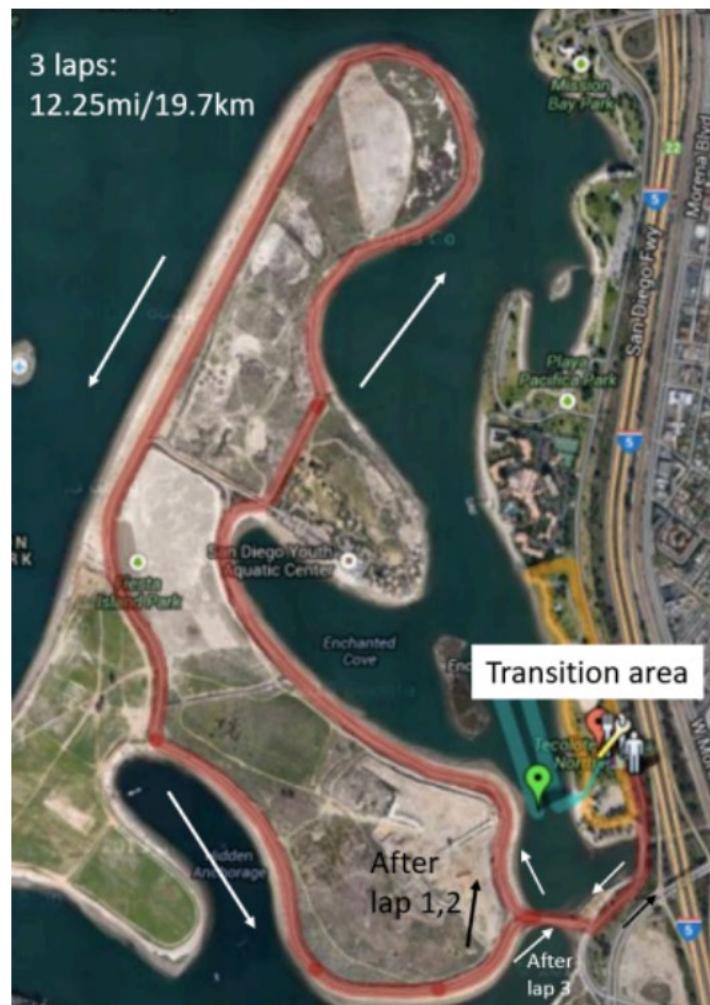
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Race Course- Tritonman 2026 (February 28- March 1 2026)

Swim: 750 Meters



Bike: 20 Kilometers (3 laps, counterclockwise)



Road closures:

1. East Mission Bay Dr between Sea World Dr (South end) and San Diego Mission Bay Resort (North end) from 6:00am-9:00am on 2/28/2026 and 3/1/2026
2. Fiesta Island Rd, loop, from E Mission Bay Dr to E Mission Bay Dr (loop) from 6:00am-9:00am on 2/28/2026 and 3/1/2026

Turn by turn description:

Description	Distance	Road	Direction of travel
Leave transition area	0.0 km	E Mission Bay Dr	South
Right turn	0.5 km	Fiesta Island Rd	West
Right turn	0.7 km	Fiesta Island Rd	North, ccw
Continue straight for loop 2	7.2 km	Fiesta Island Rd	North, ccw
Continue straight for loop 3	13.7 km	Fiesta Island Rd	North, ccw
Right turn	20.2 km	Fiesta Island Rd	East
Left turn	20.4 km	E Mission Bay Dr	North
Enter transition area	20.9 km	E Mission Bay Dr	-

Run: 5 kilometers (3 laps, clockwise)



Road closure:

Parking closure along E Mission Bay Dr between {1292-1344 E Mission Bay Dr Parking Lot} (south) and {32°46'39.1"N 117°12'35.0"W} = {32.777513, -117.209710} (north) from 6:00am to 10:00am on 2/28/2026 and 3/1/2026

Description: Leave transition area, south end, follow path clockwise as depicted. Upon return to E Mission Bay Dr on the North end of the course, turn right. Upon return to the transition area, continue straight for loops 2 and 3 and turn right to the finish line after 3 loops (5km).

Transition Area (Tecolote Shores)

