



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Date of Notice: September 15, 2026

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

WBS# No. L-24003.2

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: Howard Lane Improvements

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: San Ysidro

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 8

LOCATION: The proposed project site is located within the developed public right-of-way at the intersection of Dairy Mart Road and Plantel Way.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mayoral approval to allow award of a construction contract for the installation of two new pedestrian hybrid beacon high-intensity activated crosswalk (HAWK) signals.

The proposed project would also replace existing curb ramps and install new curb ramps to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), install new curbs and gutters at the northwest corner of Plantel Way, and install new pedestrian barricades, a wireless interconnect system, signage, and roadway striping. Construction would require approximately 100 linear feet of trenching to install the electrical conduit for the HAWK signals.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines, Section 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction); 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 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction) which allows for the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, such as curb ramps; 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small

Structures) which allow for the construction and installation of a limited number of new small facilities, which include HAWK crossings, curb ramps, curbs and gutters, pedestrian barricades, wireless interconnect system, signage and electrical conduit; and where the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 would not apply.

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On September 15, 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 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) business days from the date of the posting of this Notice [September 22, 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 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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