



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Date of Notice: September 22, 2026

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

WBS No. B-20137

PROJECT NAME: PLWTP Scum Injection Concentrators Improvements

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Peninsula

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 2

LOCATION: The proposed project site is located at the Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant, 1902 Gatchell Road, San Diego, CA 92106.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mayoral approval to allow award of a construction contract for the Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant (PLWTP) Scum Concentrators Improvements Project. The project would improve the scum collection system at the PLWTP by replacing the scum concentrating equipment, consisting of scum thickening, dewatering, and pumping equipment. The equipment includes scum screens with screw-type conveyors, a decant tank with an internal baffle, a redundant decant tank, progressive cavity pumps, a roll-off bin, and other appurtenances. All work would be within the existing PLWTP's developed footprint.

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 Section 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction).

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 following categorical exemption criteria set forth in CEQA State Guidelines: Section 15301, which include restoration and rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety within the existing PLWTP; Section 15302, which includes replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities at PLWTP involving negligible or no expansion of capacity; and where the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 would not apply.

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On September 21, 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. An application to appeal this CEQA determination must be filed by 5:00 p.m. on September 29, 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 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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