



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Date of Notice: January 6, 2022

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS

IO # 30006477

PROJECT NAME: Sewer Pump Station No. 1 (Pump No. 4) Emergency Repair

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Military Facilities

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 8

LOCATION: The project is located at 3550 E. Harbor Drive within the City of San Diego and National City.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Pump No. 4 at Sewer Pump Station No. 1 recently failed and is non-operational. A visual inspection of Pump No. 4 revealed severe damage to mechanical components. The nature of the failure was forceful and shook the Sewer Pump Station No. 1 building structure. The pump station is currently operating below capacity, and failure of additional pumps poses an immediate threat to health and safety due to inadequate support of sewerage systems. The failure of other pumps could also potentially result in impacts to environmentally sensitive areas if a sanitary sewage overflow were to occur.

The project will repair or replace mechanical and electrical components for Pump No. 4. The project will also inspect the electrical, mechanical, and structural integrity of Pump No. 1 and Pump No. 3 and replace, repair, or rehabilitate mechanical and electrical components, if warranted, to ensure uninterrupted support of the sewerage system. The installation of additional bracing for the motors within the pump station may also be warranted, pending the results of the inspection. The work will require coordination with a qualified technician to disconnect and transport the pumps and their motors to and from a repair facility for service, reinstallation, and mechanical reconnection to Sewer Pump Station No. 1 systems. The project will also inspect the pump station building to assess the structural integrity and repair damage caused by the forceful failure of Pump No. 4. The proposed work is the minimum necessary to ensure adequate operational capacity of the pump station and ensure health and safety and ensure that surrounding areas are not impacted by a sanitary sewage overflow.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Statute Sections 21080(b)(2) and (4) and CEQA Guidelines Sections 15269(b) and (c) (Emergency Projects).

ENTITY MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: City of San Diego Engineering & Capital Projects

STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The City of San Diego conducted an environmental review that determined the project meets the definition of an “Emergency” as defined in CEQA Guidelines Section 15359 (Emergency) as the project involves a sudden, unexpected occurrence, involving a clear and imminent danger, demanding immediate action to prevent or mitigate loss of, or damage to, life, health, property, or essential public services. This emergency clean-up is required in order to protect public health, safety and property, and is supported by the expert opinion of the City Engineer. Thus, this emergency activity is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Statute Section 21080(b)(2) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(b) (Emergency Projects) which exempts emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to public health, safety or welfare. This activity is also statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Statute Section 21080(b)(4) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c) (Emergency Projects) which exempts specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency.

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On January 6, 2022 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 determination to the City Council must be filed in the Office of the City Clerk within 10 business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (January 21, 2022). During the Statewide “Safer-at-Home” directive to reduce the spread of COVID-19, beginning March 19, 2020, appeals to the City Clerk must be filed by email or US Mail as follows:

- 1) Appeals filed via E-mail: Send the fully completed appeal application [DS-3031](#) (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation in pdf format) via email to Hearings1@sandiego.gov by 5:00pm 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: Bring the fully completed appeal application [DS-3031](#) (including grounds for appeal and supporting documentation) to the City Administration Building—Public Information Counter, 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.

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