



Date of Notice: September 19, 2019

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: Coastal Cactus Wren Habitat Restoration – SANDAG Grant

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Encanto Neighborhoods and Navajo

COUNCIL DISTRICT: Districts 4 and 7

LOCATION: Chollas Radio Canyon Open Space and Navajo Canyon Open Space

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Implement a SANDAG grant-funded habitat restoration project within Chollas Radio Canyon Open Space and Navajo Canyon Open Space.

The City of San Diego Parks & Recreation Department - Open Space Division proposes to use the California Conservation Corps (CCC) to restore and enhance upland habitat not to exceed five (5) acres through the eradication of invasive plants and revegetation with native plants. The proposed project will restore unauthorized trails, install erosion control materials as needed, and broadcast native coastal sage scrub seed.

In addition to initial weed control and installation of native plants, the proposed project will also include site maintenance (e.g. trash removal, weed control, and irrigation of plantings) and monitoring.

All restoration sites shall be accessed by foot with consideration taken to minimize trampling native habitat. Vehicular access is allowed on established dirt access trails as directed by City staff. City staff will be directing the project tasks and supervising the CCC members.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15333 (Small Habitat Restoration Projects).

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

15333 (Small Habitat Restoration Projects) which consists of projects not to exceed five acres in size to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants, or wildlife provided that: a) there would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to Section 15065; b) there are no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed, and; c) the project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects. The exceptions to the exemptions 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 September 19, 2019, 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 the 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 (**October 3, 2019**). The appeal application can be obtained from the City Clerk, 202 'C' Street, Second Floor, San Diego, CA 92101.

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

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