



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Date of Notice: September 8, 2023

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

WBS No. B-21118.02.06

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: Catalina Blvd Signal Interconnect

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Peninsula

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 2

LOCATION: The project is located along Catalina Boulevard between Talbot Street and Wilcox Street; Talbot Drive between Catalina Street and Rosecrans Street; Canon Street between Jennings Street and Talbot Street; and the intersections of Catalina Boulevard & Talbot Street, Canon Street & Talbot Street, Catalina Boulevard & Canon Street, Catalina Blvd & Wilcox Street, and Talbot Street & Rosecrans Street.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project proposes to install new traffic signal interconnect cables at five (5) intersections and upgrade signal controller software in existing traffic signal controller cabinets. Approximately 6,150 linear feet of new fiber optic cable and conduit will be installed, including pull boxes and fiber ports that will connect to the existing cabinets at each intersection. Trench work for the new conduit will be six inches wide and up to three feet deep. Additionally, the project will install two (2) new traffic signal cabinets with foundations and five (5) new traffic signal controllers. The maximum depth of excavation is three feet for the trench work and new traffic signal cabinets with foundations located at the Catalina Blvd and Talbot Street intersection. All work is within the City's developed public right-of-way.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: This activity is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA State Guidelines, Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities), 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction), 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land).

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 15301 (Existing Facilities), which allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public structures, facilities and mechanical equipment, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use, such as upgrading signal controller software in existing traffic signal cabinets; 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures), which allows for the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures, such as installing new traffic signal interconnect cables, new traffic signal cabinets with foundations, and new traffic signal controllers; Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land), which allows for minor public alterations in the condition of land which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry of agricultural purposes, such as the narrow trench work for the installation of new fiber optic cable and conduit where the surface is restored; and where the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 would not apply.

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On September 8, 2023, 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 ten (10) business days from the date of the posting of this Notice, September 22, 2023. 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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