



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
**CASH RECEIPT**  
DFW 753.5a (Rev. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
37-01/22/2026-0056
STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER( <i>If applicable</i> )

**SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.**

LEAD AGENCY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 01/22/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SAN DIEGO		DOCUMENT NUMBER 37-2026-0056

**PROJECT TITLE**  
BACKFLOW PREVENTER INSTALLATIONS BY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT AT TENTH AVENUE MARINE TERMINAL  
AND NATIONAL CITY MARINE TERMINAL

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME MAHMOUD AKHAVAIN, SR. PROJECT MANAGER, HARRIS & ASSOCIATES	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER 213-760-1294	
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 600 B STREET #2000	CITY SAN DIEGO	STATE CA	ZIP CODE 92101
<b>PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Local Public Agency <input type="checkbox"/> School District <input type="checkbox"/> Other Special District <input type="checkbox"/> State Agency <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Entity			

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,227.50	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)/(ND)	\$3,043.75	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,437.25	\$	0.00

Exempt from fee

Notice of Exemption (attach)  
 CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$		50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	\$		0.00

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

Cash     Credit     Check     Other    **TOTAL RECEIVED**    \$    **50.00**

SIGNATURE <b>X</b> <i>J. Hood</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE San Diego County Clerk, TIFFANI HOOD, Deputy
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Payment Reference #: AUTH # 012707 AND ORDER # 214613122



**SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK  
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET**

**FILED**

Jan 22, 2026 09:22 AM  
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SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK  
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**TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

**Project Title**

**BACKFLOW PREVENTER INSTALLATIONS BY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT  
AT TENTH AVENUE MARINE TERMINAL AND NATIONAL CITY MARINE TERMINAL**

**Check Document being Filed:**

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- Other (Please fill in type): \_\_\_\_\_

<b>FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK ON</b> <u>January 22, 2026</u>
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**Notice of Exemption****CEQA Guidelines Appendix E**

**To:** ■ San Diego County Recorder/County Clerk  
1600 Pacific Highway, Suite 260  
San Diego, CA 92101-2480

**From:** ■ San Diego Unified Port District  
Development Services Department  
3165 Pacific Highway  
San Diego, CA 92101

**Project Title:** Backflow Preventer Installations by San Diego Unified Port District at Tenth Avenue Marine Terminal and National City Marine Terminal

**Project Applicant:** Mahmoud Akhavain, Sr. Project Manager, Harris & Associates, 600 B Street #2000, (213) 760-1294, San Diego, CA 92101

**Project Location – Specific:** Tenth Avenue Marine Terminal, 1800 Crosby Road, San Diego, CA 92101  
National City Marine Terminal, 3165 Bay Marina Drive, National City, CA 91950

**Project location – City:** San Diego; National City

**Project Location – County:** San Diego

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The proposed project would involve the removal of existing drainage facilities and installation of three (3) storm drain back flow preventers by San Diego Unified Port District (District) in the cities of San Diego, California and National City, California. The project proposes the installation of backflow preventers at storm drain outfalls in two locations: National City Marine Terminal (NCMT) and Tenth Avenue Marine Terminal (TAMT). Two (2) of the three installations would occur at NCMT and one (1) would occur at TAMT. Additional work for this project would include minor trenching and backfill for installation of the improvements, minor repaving of trenched areas, and added cleanouts and manholes for improved access and maintenance. Work to specifically complete the proposed project is outlined below:

**TAMT**

The backflow preventer at TAMT outfall T4-2.1 would be a 33-inch diameter in-line check valve, installed within the existing 33-inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) storm drain, and between two (2) proposed Type A storm drain cleanouts.

**NCMT**

The first backflow preventer at NCMT outfall 004.1 would be a 30-inch diameter in-line check valve, installed within the existing 30-inch diameter RCP storm drain. It would be located approximately 8 inches from the face of the upstream cleanout and between two (2) proposed Type A storm drain cleanouts.

The second backflow preventer at NCMT outfall 1003.1 would be a 72-inch diameter in-line check valve. The valve would be installed within the existing 72-inch RCP storm drain, approximately 2 feet from the face of the proposed modified 6x8 foot type B8 inlet.

Additional work at this location would include replacement of the existing Type B8 inlet with a 6'x8' modified Type B cleanout. The District would ensure the exiting grade and drainage pattern match the existing conditions.

The proposed project requires the implementation of a traffic control plan during construction. Access to the terminals would not be affected as the construction area is limited and would be cordoned off. Equipment staging is to occur on-site but out of the way of working facilities as to not impact normal terminal operations. Port Maritime Operations has reviewed the proposed project plans and have not expressed concern with staging location or impacts to terminal operations. Construction of the proposed project is anticipated to occur in approximately March 2025 and would take approximately 7 months to complete. Hours of construction would be from 7:00 AM – 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday, unless otherwise requested and approved.

Due to its nature and limited scope, construction of the proposed project would generate a minor amount of vehicle trips and would require limited use of equipment. Therefore, impacts related to air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, and transportation and traffic are not anticipated to occur. Furthermore, the District would be responsible for complying with all applicable federal, state, and local laws regarding construction demolition debris, hazards and hazardous materials, and stormwater.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** San Diego Unified Port District (SDUPD)

**Exempt Status:** (Check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption(s): Existing Facilities (SG § 15301) (Class 1) and New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (SG § 15303) (Class 3)**
- Statutory Exemption. State code number:

**Reason Why Project is Exempt:** The proposed project is determined to be Categorically Exempt pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) and Sections 3.a. and 3.c. of the District's Guidelines for Compliance with CEQA because the removal of existing drainage facilities and installation of three storm drain back flow preventers would involve no expansion or change of use of the property beyond that previously existing. Section 3.a. and 3.c. of the District's CEQA Guidelines are as follows:

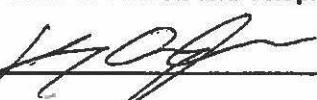
3.a. Existing Facilities (SG § 15301) (Class 1): Includes operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing.

AND/OR

3.c. New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures (SG § 15303) (Class 3): Includes construction of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; and conversion of existing small structures from one use to another with minor modifications to the exterior of the structure.

**Lead Agency Contact Person and Telephone Number:** Kelly Cunningham, (619) 821-1942

Signature:



Date: 1/22/26

Title: Planner I

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR/Clerk:



# San Diego County



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## JORDAN Z. MARKS

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Cashier Date: 01/22/2026  
Cashier Location: SD

Print Date: 01/22/2026 9:23 am

### Payment Summary

Total Fees:	\$200.00
Total Payments:	\$200.00
Balance:	\$0.00

### Payment

VITALCHEK PAYMENT	\$200.00
Total Payments	\$200.00
Filings	
CEQA - NOE	FILE #: 2026-000056 Date: 01/22/2026 9:22AM Pages: 3
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	State Receipt # 37-01/22/2026-0056
Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee	\$50.00
Total Fees Due:	\$50.00
Grand Total - All Documents:	\$200.00

