# CEQA and COASTAL DETERMINATIONS and NOTICE OF APPROVAL



Project:

Exterior Painting by the Port of San Diego at the Harbor Police Administration

Facility

Location:

3380 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101

Parcel No.: Project No.:

007-028 2018-207

Applicant:

Noemi Aquino, Engineering-Construction, San Diego Unified Port District, 3165

Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101

Date Approved:

December 6, 2018

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project would involve repainting building exteriors at the Harbor Police Administration Facility by the San Diego Unified Port District (Applicant) in the city of San Diego, California. Work to specifically complete the proposed project would involve repainting the exteriors of six (6) existing buildings at the Harbor Police Administration Facility, as well as on ongoing as-needed building maintenance. Construction of the proposed project is anticipated to occur early 2019, and would take approximately one month to complete, with ongoing maintenance as required.

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 Applicant would be responsible for complying with all applicable federal, state, and local laws regarding construction demolition debris, hazards and hazardous materials, and stormwater.

The following categorical determinations are based on the project submittal and all project information known to the District as of the date of this determination.

# **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)**

#### CATEGORICAL DETERMINATION

Categorical Exemption: SG §15301, Class 1/Section 3.a: Existing Facilities

- 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, including but not limited to:
  - (3) Interior and exterior remodeling or alterations, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, including, but not limited to, marine terminal facilities, and marine-oriented commercial, industrial, and public and commercial recreational facilities, including buildings, piers, wharves, marine ways; railroads; airport facilities, runways, taxiways, aprons, and ancillary structures to those facilities; or mechanical systems and equipment.

The proposed project is determined to be Categorically Exempt pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines and the Section of the District's *Guidelines for Compliance with CEQA* as identified above. This is appropriate for the proposed project because it involves repainting the exterior of existing buildings that would result in no expansion of use beyond that previously existing and would not result in a significant cumulative impact due to the continuation of the existing use. The District has determined none of the six exceptions to the use of a categorical exemption apply to this project (CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2).

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062, a 35-day statute of limitations for this CEQA exemption

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shall apply from the date a Notice of Exemption is posted with the San Diego County Clerk, or a 180-day statute of limitations for this CEQA exemption shall apply if no Notice of Exemption is filed.

### **CALIFORNIA COASTAL ACT**

PORT MASTER PLAN CONSISTENCY

Planning District: 2 - Harbor Island/Lindbergh Field (Precise Plan Figure 9)

Land Use Designation: Industrial Business Park

The proposed project conforms to the certified Port Master Plan because it would involve repainting the exterior of existing buildings, which is consistent with the existing certified Land use designation. The proposed project would not change the use of the site nor would it interrupt or expand the existing conforming uses of the site.

#### CATEGORICAL DETERMINATION

Categorical Exclusion: Section 8.a: Existing Facilities

- 8.a. Existing Facilities: The 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, including but not limited to:
  - Interior or exterior alterations involving such things as partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances;

The proposed project is determined to be Categorically Excluded pursuant to the Section of the District's *Coastal Development Permit Regulations* as identified above. This is appropriate for the proposed project because it involves repainting the exterior of existing buildings that would involve no expansion of use beyond that previously existing.

Pursuant to California Coastal Act Section 30717, there is a 10-working-day period to appeal this "Coastal Act Categorical Determination of Exclusion" to the California Coastal Commission.

## CALIFORNIA PUBLIC TRUST DOCTRINE

The proposed project complies with Section 87.(a)(5) of the Port Act, which allows for the construction, reconstruction, repair, maintenance, and operation of public buildings, public assembly and meeting places, convention centers, parks, playgrounds, bathhouses and bathing facilities, recreation and fishing piers, public recreation facilities, including, but not limited to, public golf courses, and for all works, buildings, facilities, utilities, structures, and appliances incidental, necessary, or convenient for the promotion and accommodation of any of those uses. The Port Act was enacted by the California Legislature and is consistent with the Public Trust Doctrine. Consequently, the proposed project is consistent with the Public Trust Doctrine.

RANDA CONIGLIO President/CEO

Determination by: Cameron McLeod Assistant Planner Development Services

Deputy General Counsel

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