Notice of Exemption
Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
    1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
    Sacramento, CA 95814

From: (Public Agency)
    San Diego Unified Port District
    Planning Department
    3165 Pacific Highway
    San Diego, CA 92101

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

Project Title: Temporary Placement of 12 Sediment Traps in the San Diego Bay
Project Location – Specific: San Diego Bay
Project Location – City: Chula Vista, Coronado, Imperial Beach, National City, and San Diego
Project Location – County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The proposed project involves the temporary placement of 12 sediment traps on the floor of San Diego Bay for approximately three months to collect suspended sediment for chemical analysis. The sediment traps will not impact the public’s ability to access San Diego Bay and will not be placed in eelgrass. Following retrieval of the sediment traps, the sediment would undergo chemical analysis to better understand the ways sediment moves in San Diego Bay with the goal of improving water quality. Due to its nature and limited scope, placement and retrieval of the sediment traps 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.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: John Carter, Deputy General Counsel
Office of the General Counsel, San Diego Unified Port District, 3165 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101

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 Exemptions: Information Collection (SG § 15306) (Class 6)
- Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reason Why Project is Exempt: 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 is for the purpose of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which would not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. Full text of the relevant exemption from the District's CEQA Guidelines is as follows:
3.f Information Collection (SG § 15306) (Class 6): Includes basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. These may be for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which has not yet been approved, adopted or funded.

Lead Agency Contact Person and Telephone Number: Maggie Weber, (619) 686-6598

Signature: Maggie Weber Date: 2-12-20 Title: Senior Planner

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR/Clerk:

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Deputy K. Ortiz
TEMPORARY PLACEMENT OF 12 SEDIMENT TRAPS IN THE SAN DIEGO BAY

PROJECT TITLE

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME
SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT, JOHN CARTER

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS
3165 PACIFIC HIGHWAY

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)
☑ Other Special District

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:
☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) $3,343.25
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) $2,406.75
☐ Certified Regulatory Program document (CRP) $1,136.50
☐ Exempt from fee
☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)
☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☑ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) $850.00
☑ County documentary handling fee $50.00

PAYMENT METHOD:
☑ Cash
☐ Credit
☐ Check
☐ Other 105073813

TOTAL RECEIVED $50,000

SIGNATURE

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
San Diego County
K. ORTIZ, Deputy