Project: Modification of an Existing Wireless Communications Facility by New Cingular Wireless at Coronado Cays Yacht Club
Location: 30 N Caribe Cay Blvd, Coronado, CA 92118
Parcel No.: 046-005
Project No.: 2022-058
Applicant: Tara Carmichael, Land Use I, MD7 LLC, 10590 West Ocean Air Drive, Suite 250 San Diego, CA 92130
Date Approved: Jul 15, 2022

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project would involve the modification of an existing wireless communications facility by New Cingular Wireless (Applicant) in San Diego, California.

The work to be completed by the proposed project would include:

At Antenna Level:
- Remove two (2) panel antennas
- Install two (2) P2SCH40 +/-6’ long pipe mounts
- Install three (3) panel antennas
- Install one (1) AIR6449 antenna
- Install one (1) AIR6419 antenna
- Install three (3) radio remote units (RRUs)
- Install one (1) DC9 surge suppressor
- Install one (1) fiber cable trunk
- Install one (1) 6-#6 AWG DC trunks from DC12 to new DC9
- Install one (1) 2-#8 AWG DC cable from new DC9 to New Air 6449 B77D & 6419 B77G RRU

At Ground Level:
- De-energize two (2) UMTS cabinets
- Install one (1) 6648 baseband
- Install one (1) -48VDC battery cabinet
- Install two (2) Emerson 2KW HE -48 rectifiers
- Install four (4) GNB marathon M12V180FT batteries
- Install or re-use two (2) 25A DC breakers for the two (2) 4478 RRUs
- Install or re-use three (3) 50A DC breakers for the new 8863, 6449, and 6419 RRUs

Construction for the proposed project is anticipated to occur in Summer 2022 and would take approximately two (2) months to complete, with ongoing maintenance and repairs as needed.

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.
3/Section 3.c: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

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:

(7) Existing facilities used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewerage, or other public utility service.

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. Examples of this exemption include:

(3) Water, sewer, electrical, gas, telephone, and other utility structures or facilities.

The proposed project is determined to be Categorically Exempt pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines and the Sections of the District’s Guidelines for Compliance with CEQA as identified above. These are appropriate for the proposed project because it would consist of the modification, maintenance, replacement, and repair of components at an existing wireless communications facility that would involve a negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing. 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 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: 8 - Silver Strand South (Precise Plan Figure 21)

Land Use Designation: Commercial Recreation

The proposed project conforms to the certified Port Master Plan because it would involve the modification, maintenance, replacement, and repair of components at an existing wireless communications facility 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 Exclusions: Section 8.a: Existing Facilities and Section 8.c: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures

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:

(2) Public and private utilities used to provide electric power, natural gas, sewer, or other utility services

AND/OR

8.c. New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures: Construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures and installation of small, new equipment and facilities, involving negligible or no change of existing use of the property, including but not limited to:
(2) Water main, sewer, electrical, gas, or other utility extensions of reasonable length to serve such construction

The proposed project is determined to be Categorically Excluded pursuant to the Sections of the District’s Coastal Development Permit Regulations as identified above. These are appropriate for the proposed project because it would involve the modification, maintenance, replacement, and repair of components at an existing wireless communications facility. This project would involve a negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing and would not involve a change of existing use of the property.

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)(4) of the Port Act, which allows for the construction, reconstruction, repair, and maintenance of highways, streets, roadways, bridges, belt line railroads, parking facilities, power, telephone, telegraph or cable lines or landings, water and gas pipelines, and all other transportation and utility facilities or betterments incidental, necessary, or convenient for the promotion and accommodation of any of the uses set forth in this section. 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.

JOE STUYVESANT
President/CEO

Determination by:
Abigail Haynam  Signature: ____________________________
Assistant Planner  Date: ____________________________
Development Services

Deputy/Assistant General Counsel  Signature: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________