



**CEQA and COASTAL DETERMINATIONS
and
NOTICE OF APPROVAL**

Project: Transplant Games of America Opening Parade and 5K Walk/Run Along Harbor Drive
Location: Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101
Parcel No.: Various
Project No.: 2022-060
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project is the Transplant Games of America Opening Parade and 5K Walk/Run which would take place along Harbor Drive in the city of San Diego, California. The Transplant Games of America includes activations across San Diego County and would last for approximately one week. The proposed project including, opening parade, 5K walk/run, staging and breakdown, would be limited to Saturday, July 30, 2022. The opening ceremony parade would begin at North Harbor Drive & Grape Street at approximately 9:00 a.m. and end at Pacific Highway & West G. Street at approximately 10:30 a.m. and would involve marching bands, floats, drill teams, and balloons. The 5K Walk/Run would begin at 7 a.m. and finish before 8 a.m. Harbor Drive would be closed to through traffic starting at 6 a.m. on Saturday morning and a rolling re-opening of Harbor Drive would be implemented where all parts of the street are anticipated to be open to through traffic by approximately 10:30 a.m. Ash Street would be closed for a majority of the opening ceremony parade and is anticipated to reopen at approximately 10:00 a.m. There would be trash pick-up, street sweeping, and barricade removal following along Harbor Drive as the parade passes through, so any other streets affected by the proposed project would be reopened as soon as possible. The San Diego Special Events Traffic Control (SETC) would be present to redirect local employees, vendors, and members of the public into nearby available parking areas throughout the duration of the event. The event has an anticipated attendance of approximately 10,000 people. Parking would be available at nearby parking facilities and on surface streets.

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 §15304, Class 4/Section 3.d: Minor Alterations to Land

3.d. Minor Alterations to Land (SG § 15304) (Class 4): Includes minor alterations in the condition of land, water and/or vegetation not involving removal of mature, scenic trees, including, but not limited to:

(6) Minor temporary use of land having negligible or no permanent effects on the environment;

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 a temporary event that would not involve the removal of mature, scenic trees and would not have any permanent effects on the environment. 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: 3 - Centre City Embarcadero (Precise Plan Figure 11)

Land Use Designation: Streets

The proposed project conforms to the certified Port Master Plan because it is a temporary event that is consistent with the existing certified land use designation because it would not change the use of the site as a street nor would it permanently interrupt or expand the existing conforming uses of the site.

CATEGORICAL DETERMINATION

Categorical Exclusion: Section 8.d: Minor Alterations to Land

8.d. Minor Alterations to Land: Minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of mature, scenic trees, including but not limited to:

- (5) Minor temporary uses of land and water having negligible or no permanent effects on the environment, including festivals, boating activities, parades, and running or bicycling events.

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 would involve minor temporary use of land and would have no permanent effect on the environment.

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.

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President/CEO

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Signature: Abigail Haynam
Date: Jul 15, 2022

Deputy/Assistant General Counsel

Signature: Rebecca Harrington
Date: Jul 15, 2022