



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

Project: Valentine's Day 5K/10K
Location: Tidelands Park, 2000 Mullinex Drive, Coronado, CA 92118
Parcel No.: Various
Project No.: 2024-003
Applicant: Tobias Panek, Event Director, Life Sports Foundation; (858) 255-9709
Date Approved: 01/16/2024

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project is the Valentine's Day 5K/10K in the city of Coronado, California. Event participants would start and end the fun run at Tidelands Park, and most of the route would follow the Bayshore Bikeway. From Tidelands Park, event participants would run/walk along the Bayshore Bikeway under the San Diego - Coronado bridge until hitting Glorietta Boulevard, where the lane closest to the Coronado Municipal Golf Course would be used until participants rejoin the Bayshore Bikeway by the Coronado Yacht Club. 5K participants would turn around shortly after passing Miguel Avenue and return along the same route towards the finish line. 10K participants would turn around at Rendova Road, following the City of Coronado's Glorietta Bay Park Promenade until rejoining with the Bayshore Bikeway, and return along the same route towards the finish line.

Following completion of the moving event, event participants will be invited to celebrate at Tidelands Park with refreshments, music, medals, and vendors. The proposed project would involve the temporary installation of one (1) stage, vendor tents, dumpsters, and toilets. This will be a one (1) day event that would occur in early February. The event has an expected attendance of approximately 1,500 people.

The moving event is anticipated to begin at approximately 8:00 am and conclude by approximately 10:00 am. The lane nearest to the Coronado Municipal Golf Course on Glorietta Boulevard, from Strand Way to 4th Avenue, would be temporarily closed during the moving event to allow for event participants to transition to and from the street to the Bayshore Bikeway. All temporary road closures would be restored at 10:00 am. One additional day is required for event set up/breakdown. The event requires temporary use of approximately three (3) public parking spaces for project staging which would be unavailable on the day of the event from approximately 7:00 am to 2:00 pm. The remainder of the parking lot would be available for public use and staff parking on a first-come first-serve basis. Parking would be available at nearby public parking facilities and on nearby surface lots and streets. Attendees will be encouraged to utilize public transportation, carpools, and ride-sharing services for this event.

Due to its temporary 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 Exemptions: CEQA Guidelines Section 15304 (Class 4)/District Guidelines for Compliance with the CEQA Section 3.d: Minor Alterations to Land and CEQA Guidelines Section 15323 (Class 23): Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings

3.d. Minor Alterations to Land: 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.

AND/OR

Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings

Consists of the normal operations of existing facilities for public gatherings for which the facilities were designed, where there is a past history of the facility being used for the same or similar kind of purpose. For the purposes of this section, “past history” shall mean that the same or similar kind of activity has been occurring for at least three years and that there is a reasonable expectation that the future occurrence of the activity would not represent a change in the operation of the facility. Facilities included within this exemption include, but are not limited to, racetracks, stadiums, convention centers, auditoriums, amphitheaters, planetariums, swimming pools, and amusement parks.

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 is a temporary event that would not involve the removal of mature, scenic trees, would not have any permanent effects on the environment, and would consist of the normal operation of existing facilities for public gatherings. 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: 6 - Coronado Bayfront (Precise Plan Figure 17)

Land Use Designations: Park/Plaza; Promenade; and Streets

The portion of the proposed project located within the Coastal Development Permit (CDP) and Coastal Act exclusion authority of the District conforms to the certified Port Master Plan because it would involve a temporary event consistent with the existing certified land use designations. 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.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 portion of the proposed project located within the CDP and Coastal Act exclusion authority of the District 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 is for a temporary event that would not involve the removal of mature, scenic trees.

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.

For the portion of the proposed project located outside of the District’s CDP jurisdiction, additional approvals may be required from other agencies.

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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Acting President/CEO

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Signature: Lillian Mattes
Date: 01/16/2024

Deputy/Assistant General Counsel

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Date: 01/16/2024