



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
DFW 753.5a (Rev. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:

37-08/21/2025-0629

STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

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LEAD AGENCY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 08/21/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SAN DIEGO	DOCUMENT NUMBER 37-2025-0629	

PROJECT TITLE
REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF TREES AT EMBARCADERO MARINA PARK NORTH BY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME KURT BRICKLEY, MANAGER, OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AT SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER 619-686-6378
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 3165 PACIFIC HIGHWAY	CITY SAN DIEGO	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 92101

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,123.50	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)/(ND)	\$2,968.75	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,401.75	\$	0.00

☒ Exempt from fee

☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)

☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$	50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	0.00

PAYMENT METHOD

☐ Cash ☒ Credit ☐ Check ☐ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE

X

J. Hood

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

San Diego County Clerk, TIFFANI HOOD, Deputy

Payment Reference #: ORDER # 207416125 AND AUTH # 076458



**SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET**

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Aug 21, 2025 10:06 AM
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SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
File # 2025-000691
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TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Project Title

**REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF TREES AT EMBARCADERO MARINA PARK
NORTH BY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT**

Check Document being Filed:

- ☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- ☐ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- ☒ Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- ☐ Other (Please fill in type):

**FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SAN DIEGO
COUNTY CLERK ON** August 21, 2025
Posted August 21, 2025 **Removed** _____
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Notice of Exemption**CEQA Guidelines Appendix E**

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

From: ■ San Diego Unified Port District
Development Services Department
3165 Pacific Highway
San Diego, CA 92101

Project Title: Removal and Replacement of Trees at Embarcadero Marina Park North by San Diego Unified Port District

Project Applicant: Kurt Brickley, Manager, Operations and Maintenance at San Diego Unified Port District, 3165 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101, 619-686-6378

Project Location – Specific: 1 Embarcadero Marina North, San Diego, CA 92101

Project location – City: San Diego

Project Location – County: *San Diego*

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project The proposed project would involve the removal and replacement of three (3) Melaleuca trees by the San Diego Unified Port District (District) in the city of San Diego, California. The three (3) trees are located south of the public restroom at Embarcadero Marina Park North (EMPN) along the waterfront.

The three (3) existing trees are proposed to be removed to improve line of site connectivity between Tenth Avenue Marine Terminal and Tuna Harbor to increase District safety and security in the area. Work would also involve replacing the Melaleuca trees with three (3) replacement trees to be planted at more suitable locations within EMPN.

The District and/or the District's landscape service providers would remove the three (3) trees in approximately Fall of 2025 using a truck, chipper, stump grinder, hand tools, and associated tree removal equipment. The tree removal operations would begin and conclude on the same day. Within 60 days following tree removals, the stumps would be grinded down, which takes approximately half a day of work. Tree replacement would be completed by the Winter of 2025 with ongoing maintenance as needed. Work hours for the proposed project would be Monday-Friday from approximately 7am-3:30pm. There are no anticipated impacts to parking stalls nor anticipated street closures for the proposed project. However, there are partial closures anticipated for the waterfront promenade during tree removal activities, so the work crew would direct pedestrians safely around the work site. There would be no full closures of the promenade at any point of the proposed project.

The replacement tree species would be drought-tolerant and/or water wise, non-invasive tree species, and would reflect the palette of trees and shrubs which already exist elsewhere on Tidelands.

The District would conduct all tree removals outside of the migratory bird breeding and nesting season, and no removal work would occur between February 15 and September 1. 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 District 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)*

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 Exemption(s):** *Existing Facilities (SG § 15301) (Class 1), and Minor Alterations to Land (SG § 15304) (Class 4),*

☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number:

Reason Why Project is Exempt: The proposed project is determined to be Categorically Exempt pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) and Sections 3.a.(12) and 3.d.(5) of the District's Guidelines for Compliance with CEQA because it would consist of the removal and replacement of three (3) trees and the associated tree maintenance that would involve no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, would not involve the removal of mature, scenic trees, and would result in no permanent effects on the environment. Sections 3.a.(12) and 3.d.(5) of the District's CEQA Guidelines are as follows:

- 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:

(12) Maintenance of existing landscaping, native growth, and water supply reservoirs.

AND/OR

- 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:

(5) New gardening or landscaping.

Lead Agency Contact Person and Telephone Number: Justin Huitema, (619) 990-5610

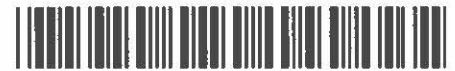
Signature:  **Date:** 8/21/25 **Title:** Assistant Planner

- ☒ Signed by Lead Agency
- ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR/Clerk:



San Diego County



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Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk
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Cashier Date: 08/21/2025
Cashier Location: SD

Print Date: 08/21/2025 10:07 am

Payment Summary

Total Fees	\$200.00
Total Payments	\$200.00
Balance:	\$0.00

Payment

VITALCHEK PAYMENT \$200.00

Total Payments \$200.00

Filings

CEQA - NOE FILE #: 2025-000691 Date: 08/21/2025 10:06AM Pages: 3
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Grand Total - All Documents: \$200.00

