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SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

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11/06/2025

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING

SAN DIEGO

DOCUMENT NUMBER

37-2025-0898

PROJECT TITLE

MARINE FLARE COLLECTION EVENT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

ANNABELLE JACKSON, ASSOCIATE ENVIRONMENTAL
SPECIALIST, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, PORT

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

PHONE NUMBER

619-686-8071

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

3165 PACIFIC HWY

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:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

\$4,123 50

\$

0 00

☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)/(ND)

\$2,968 75

\$

0 00

☐ 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)☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee(State Water Resources Control Board only)

\$850 00

\$

0 00

☒ County documentary handling fee

\$

50 00

☐ Other

\$

0 00

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash☒ Credit☐ Check☐ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED

\$

50 00

SIGNATURE

X

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

San Diego County Clerk, SILVIA LUNA, Deputy

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**SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
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Project Title

MARINE FLARE COLLECTION EVENT

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)

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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 Marine Flare Collection Event

Project Applicant: Annabelle Jackson, Associate Environmental Specialist, Environmental Protection, Port of San Diego, 3165 Pacific Hwy, 92101, 619-686-8071

Project Location – Specific Shelter Island Boat Launch Ramp Parking Lot and/or Other Existing Parking Lots on District Tidelands

Project location – City Chula Vista, Coronado, Imperial Beach, National City, San Diego

Project Location – County San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project The proposed project is a one-day, household hazardous waste collection event, that may occur up to four times per year, to collect expired, damaged, or otherwise unwanted marine flares from the public. Marine flares are safety signal devices required by the US Coast Guard for recreational boaters. Because single-use marine flares are flammable and contain explosive components, disposal options are limited and often costly. As a result, boaters may stockpile or improperly dispose of marine flares, creating risks to public safety and potential contamination of waterways and landfills.

The purpose of this event is to provide boaters with a free, safe, and convenient opportunity to dispose of expired or damaged marine flares. Additionally, participants may receive a free, reusable electronic signal device upon participation. The event would occur between one and four times per year, beginning with an event on November 15, 2025, at the Shelter Island Boat Launch parking lot from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Future marine flare collection events would occur at the Shelter Island Boat Launch parking lot or at other existing parking lots on District Tidelands.

The District would hire a permitted and licensed contractor with trained staff to handle and package the marine flares onsite and then transport the marine flares to a disposal facility after the event. Handling, packaging, and transportation of the marine flares would be executed in conformance with the safety control measures and other provisions required by the special transport permit granted to the District by the US Department of Transportation (DOT-SP 20599) on July 1, 2022. All applicable notifications, including Temporary Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility Permit by Rule notifications, will be submitted to the respective agencies by the required due dates.

The event set-up would occupy approximately 12,000 to 15,000 square feet and temporarily close approximately 25-30 public parking spaces. The exact area and number of affected parking spaces may vary depending on the event location. However, the event footprint would always be designed to maintain an adequate safety buffer between the marine flare collection and handling zones and any surrounding non-event activities. All marine flare collection events would have a traffic plan that may involve traffic control personnel to conduct traffic control measures, including directing participants to the disposal site and ensuring that non-event-related traffic can continue to utilize the roads and parking lot. Traffic cones may be utilized to guide traffic as well. For closed parking spaces, signage indicating the closure would be posted at least 72 hours in advance of the event.

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 Grantee/Licensee 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), Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources (SG § 15307) (Class 7), Actions by Regulatory Agency for Protection of the Environment (SG § 15308) (Class 8), and Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings (SG § 15323) (Class 23)***
☐ 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), 15307 (Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources, 15308 (Actions by Regulatory Agency for Protection of the Environment), and 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings) and Section 3 a , 3 g , and 3 h , of the District's Guidelines for Compliance with CEQA because it would involve no expansion of use beyond that previously existing and would not result in a significant cumulative impact due to the continuation of the existing use, it would involve actions taken by a regulatory agency for the protection the environment and natural resources, and it would consist of normal operations of existing parking lots for public gatherings for drive-up/drive-through activities, such as waste collection events. Sections 3 a , 3 g , and 3 h 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

AND/OR

3 g Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources (SG § 15307) (Class 7) Includes actions taken by regulatory agencies to assure the maintenance, restoration or enhancement of a natural resource where the regulatory process involves procedures for the protection of the environment Construction activities are not included in this exemption

AND/OR

3 h Actions by Regulatory Agency for Protection of the Environment (SG § 15308) (Class 8) Includes actions taken by regulatory agencies to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment Construction activities and relaxation of standards allowing environmental degradation are not included in this exemption

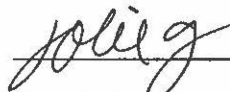
AND/OR

Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings (SG § 15323) (Class 23) 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 District has determined none of the six exceptions to the use of a categorical exemption apply to this project (CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2)

Lead Agency Contact Person and Telephone Number Jolie Gobler, (619) 821-6119

Signature  **Date** 11/6/2025 **Title** Planner I

- ☒ Signed by Lead Agency
- ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR/Clerk



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Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk

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Cashier Date: 11/06/2025

Cashier Location: SD

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Payment Summary

Total Fees	\$50.00
Total Payments	\$50.00
Balance:	\$0.00

Payment

VITALCHEK PAYMENT \$50.00

Total Payments \$50.00

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Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee \$50.00

Total Fees Due: \$50.00

Grand Total - All Documents: \$50.00