



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
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RECEIPT NUMBER:

37-10/23/2025-0854

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LEAD AGENCY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 10/23/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SAN DIEGO	DOCUMENT NUMBER 37-2025-0854	

PROJECT TITLE
REMOVAL OF QUEEN PALM TREES BY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT ON SHELTER ISLAND

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME KURT BRICKLEY, SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT	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:

☐ 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

J. Hood

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

San Diego County Clerk, TIFFANI HOOD, Deputy

Payment Reference #: ORDER # 210540837 AND AUTH # 059699



**SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
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SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
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Project Title

**REMOVAL OF QUEEN PALM TREES BY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT
ON SHELTER ISLAND**

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** October 23, 2025
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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 of Queen Palm Trees by San Diego Unified Port District on Shelter Island

Project Applicant: Kurt Brickley, San Diego Unified Port District, 3165 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101, (619) 686-6378

Project Location – Specific: 1500 Shelter Island Drive

Project location – City: San Diego

Project Location – County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed project would involve removal of dying Queen Palm trees (palm trees) and replacement with Pink Trumpet trees by the San Diego Unified Port District (District) in the City of San Diego, California. Currently, two (2) palm trees on the western edge of Shelter Island are in danger of falling due to damaged trunks caused by a fungal disease commonly known as "Pink Rot".

The palms shall be replaced with Pink Trumpet Trees (*Handroanthus impetiginosus*) in a 24" box. Removal of the palm trees would take place in October of 2025 and is expected to take one (1) business day. Planting of the replacement trees is anticipated to occur in late 2025. The trees would be ground at the time of removal while the District's Field Operations Department is conducting additional routine landscaping. Standard equipment such as chainsaws, associated work vehicles, and hand tools would be used for tree removal. Maintenance of the trees would be ongoing, as-needed, including replacement of the Pink Trumpet trees in the event of tree failure.

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.

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),
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 the CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land, and Section 3.a. and 3.c of the District's *Guidelines for Compliance with CEQA* as identified below because it would involve no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, would not result in a significant cumulative impact due to the continuation of the existing use, would result in no permanent effects on the environment, and would not involve the removal of mature, scenic trees

Section 3.a. and 3.d. 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.
- 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.

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: Luis Duran, (619) 643-9188

Signature:  **Date:** 10/23/25 **Title:** Senior Planner

- ☒ Signed by Lead Agency
- ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR/Clerk:



San Diego County



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JORDAN Z. MARKS

Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk

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Cashier Date: 10/23/2025

Cashier Location: SD

Print Date: 10/23/2025 9:25 am

Payment Summary

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

Payment

VITALCHEK PAYMENT \$200.00

Total Payments \$200.00

Filings

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Total Fees Due: \$50.00

Grand Total - All Documents: \$200.00

