



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
DFW 753.5a (Rev. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:

37-07/15/2026-0624

STATE CLEARING HOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

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LEAD AGENCY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 07/15/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SAN DIEGO	DOCUMENT NUMBER 37-2026-0624	

PROJECT TITLE
DRONE SHOW EVENT ON AUGUST 11 2026 ON BEHALF OF THE RADY SHELL AT EMBARCADERO MARINA PARK SOUTH

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME HIREUAVPRO.COM LLC	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER 630-800-0400
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 5960 JAY ST UNIT A	CITY ARVADA	STATE CO
		ZIP CODE 80003

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☐ Local Public Agency	☐ School District	☐ Other Special District	☐ State Agency	☒ Private Entity
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CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,227.50	\$	0.00
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)/(ND)	\$3,043.75	\$	0.00
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,437.25	\$	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
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SIGNATURE X ERS	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE San Diego County Clerk, ELVA STOPKE, Deputy
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Payment Reference #: VITALCHEK: 223935256/087372



SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

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Jul 15, 2026 09:00 AM
JORDAN Z. MARKS
SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLERK
File # 2026-000674
State Receipt # 37071520260624

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Project Title

DRONE SHOW EVENT ON AUGUST 11, 2026, ON BEHALF OF THE RADY SHELL AT
EMBARCADERO MARINA PARK SOUTH

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):

Posted: 7/15/26

Filed by: ELVA STOPKE

Deputy County Clerk

Filing fees are due at the time a Notice of Determination/Exemption is filed with our office. For more information on filing fees and No Effect Determinations, please refer to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 753.5.

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: Drone Show Event on August 11, 2026, on behalf of The Rady Shell at Embarcadero Marina Park South

Project Applicant: Graham Hill, CEO, HireUAVPro.com, LLC, 5960 Jay St. Unit A, Arvada, CO 80003; 630-800-0400

Project Location – Specific: 200 Marina Park Way, 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 is for an approximately 15-minute drone show on August 11, 2026, on behalf of The Rady Shell and located at Embarcadero Marina Park South in San Diego, California. The drones would be deployed from and landed at Embarcadero Marina Park South (EMPS) and displayed over the water southeast of the launch site to face the audience at The Rady Shell (Attachment A). The proposed event would have a duration of one (1) day, including set-up in the afternoon and clean-up in the evening.

A temporary safety perimeter would be established in the center section of the park area of EMPS using high-visibility delineators, signage and enforced by staff. The safety perimeter for the proposed drone show is positioned as close to the water as possible to provide the safest and most direct flight path from the staging area to the over-water show area, and to minimize temporary impacts to public access to the fullest extent feasible. Public access within the safety perimeter would be temporarily restricted before the drone show to allow for drone setup and during the drone show for a total of approximately 30 minutes. Adjacent park areas and portions of the perimeter promenade on both sides of the staging area would remain open and accessible to the public at all times. Following the approximately 30-minute restriction period once the drone show concludes and the drones are secured, the temporary safety perimeter would be removed, and the walkway and park space would be reopened to the public. No other closures of the walkways are anticipated to occur. The proposed event would be publicly viewable at no cost from various areas throughout the Embarcadero. The proposed drone shows would not impact commercial fishing activities or public access due to their limited nature.

Staging for the proposed event would be within the safety perimeter and consist of approximately 300 drones. Event staff would ensure a safety zone within the flight area, including the area of water over which the show would be performed. The drone show operation would have staff assigned as visual observers. Visual observers are responsible for scanning and monitoring for any and all airborne activity, such as aircraft, failed drones, and activity involving wildlife, and reporting any relevant observations to the District. Additionally, the Applicant is required to comply with FAA regulations and obtain any applicable approvals.

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));

District Project No. 2026-090

☒ **Categorical Exemption: *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 Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) and Section 3.d. of the District's Guidelines for Compliance with CEQA because it is for a temporary event that would result in no permanent effects on the environment, and would not involve the removal of mature, scenic trees. Section 3.d. of the District's CEQA Guidelines is as follows:

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

Lead Agency Contact Person and Telephone Number: Betsy Viramontes, 619-686-6409

Signature: Betsy Viramontes **Date:** 7/15/26 **Title:** Planner I

- ☒ Signed by Lead Agency
- ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR/Clerk:



San Diego County



Transaction #: 9147889
Receipt #: 2026271714

JORDAN Z. MARKS

Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk
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P. O. Box 121750, San Diego, CA 92112-1750
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Cashier Date: 07/15/2026
Cashier Location: SD

Print Date: 07/15/2026 9:01 am

Payment Summary

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

Payment

VITALCHEK PAYMENT	\$200.00
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Total Payments	\$200.00
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Filings

CEQA - NOE	FILE #: 2026-000674 Date: 07/15/2026 9:00AM Pages: 3
	State Receipt # 37-07/15/2026-0624
Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee	\$50.00
Total Fees Due:	\$50.00

CEQA - NOE	FILE #: 2026-000675 Date: 07/15/2026 9:00AM Pages: 3
	State Receipt # 37-07/15/2026-0625
Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee	\$50.00
Total Fees Due:	\$50.00

CEQA - NOE	FILE #: 2026-000676 Date: 07/15/2026 9:00AM Pages: 3
	State Receipt # 37-07/15/2026-0626
Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee	\$50.00
Total Fees Due:	\$50.00

CEQA - NOE	FILE #: 2026-000677 Date: 07/15/2026 9:00AM Pages: 3
	State Receipt # 37-07/15/2026-0627
Fees: Fish & Wildlife County Administrative Fee	\$50.00
Total Fees Due:	\$50.00

Grand Total - All Documents:	\$200.00
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