

Notice of Exemption

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From (Applicant/Lead agency):
Orange County Sanitation District
18480 Bandilier Circle
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Project Title: Pipeline Utility Easement Clean Up in Huntington Beach, Project FE23-07

Project Applicant: Orange County Sanitation District 18480 Bandilier Cir, Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Project Location (specific): Rhone Lane **Cross Street:** Heil Ave

Project Location - City: Huntington Beach **Project Location — County:** Orange

Description of Project: The project will remove encroachments atop of OC San's sewer pipeline easement from 12 properties, resurface easement areas, construct block walls, tie in existing fence lines and install access gates as needed.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Orange County Sanitation District
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Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Orange County Sanitation District
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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. State type and section number: CEQA Guidelines Class 2 § 15302 & Class 5 § 15305
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 2 and Class 5 categorical exemptions set forth in California Code of Regulations sections 15302 and 15305. Section 15302 (Class 2) exempts from CEQA the “replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, including but not limited to: . . . (c) Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.” Section 15305 (Class 5) exempts from CEQA minor alterations in land use limitations in areas with an average slope less than 20%, which do not result in any changes in land use or density, including but not limited to: (a) Minor lot line adjustments, side yard, and set back variances not creation of any new parcels.

As indicated above, the project consists of the removal, replace and relocation of a fence. The project is exempt under section 15302 and 15305 as the fence will be in close proximity to the fence removed with only a minor lot line adjustment, and 2) will continue to have the same purpose and capacity following the completion of the project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Andrew Brown Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (714) 593-7052

Signature: _____ Date: 10/21/25 Title: Engineering Supervisor

☒ Signed by Lead Agency