Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number: (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2021070135

Project Title: Tecolote Trunk Sewer

Project Applicant: City of San Diego

Project Location (include county): The project is located at various sites within Tecolote Canyon along a 6.5-mile long pipeline beginning at the north side of the Genesee and Chateau Drive intersection and terminating at the intersection of Tecolote Road and West Morena Boulevard, in the Claremont Mesa, Linda Vista, and Bay Park communities in the City of San Diego, in the County of San Diego.

Project Description:

CDFW is intending to execute a Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code (# EPIMS-SDO-17710-R5) to the project applicant, City of San Diego. The overall project involves the replacement and rehabilitation of approximately 4.7 miles of the 6.5-mile long Tecolote Canyon Trunk Sewer. It also involves access improvements to minimize damage associated with future emergency repairs, and will include stream crossings, manhole protection, and new access pathways. Project activities subject to Fish and Game Code Section 1602 will occur at 12 locations. At three existing road crossing locations, the road and ephemeral stream channel will be regraded, existing riprap will be removed, and an at-grade ford consisting of articulating concrete block and riprap will be constructed. At four existing road crossing locations, the access road will be improved and repaired by trimming vegetation and using mechanical equipment to "smooth" the roadway. Oak trees may be trimmed with the presence of an arborist, as necessary for equipment access. At one location, a pipe suspended over the waterway and the columns that support it will be replaced. At four locations, trenching will occur within the stream channel to complete sewer line improvements.

This is to advise that the CDFW acting as a \Box Lead agency / \boxtimes Responsible agency has approved the above described project on <u>1/31/2022</u> and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

- 1. The project $[\Box$ will / \boxtimes will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2. \boxtimes A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to CEQA.
- 3. Mitigation measures [⊠ were / □ were not] made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [□ was / ⊠ was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [□was / ⊠ was not] adopted by CDFW for this project.
- 6. Findings [\Box were / \boxtimes were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 7. Compliance with the environmental filing fee requirement at Fish and Game Code § 711.4 (check one):

 \square Payment is submitted with this notice.

 \boxtimes A copy of a receipt showing prior payment is on file with the CDFW.

This is to certify that the Negative Declaration prepared by the Lead Agency for the project is available to the General Public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's administrative record of proceedings is available at the CDFW office above.

DocuSigned by: David Mayer D700B452037540

1/31/2022 Date:

Signature (Public Agency):

Date Received for Filing at OPR: _____

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

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