

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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FROM: Mail Stop: 0-368  
County of San Diego,  
General Services  
Attn: Marcus Lubich  
5560 Overland Avenue, Suite 410  
San Diego, CA 92123

**SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152**

Project Name: Authorization to Advertise and Award of a Construction Manager at Risk Contract for Major Systems Renovation of the San Diego Central Jail

Project Locations: 1173 Front Street, San Diego, CA 92101 (APN: 533-436-03-00)

Project Applicant: County of San Diego General Services  
5560 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123

Project Description: This project consists of renovating the San Diego Central Jail major systems including mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems, kitchen and laundry facilities, as well as modernizing dormitory rooms and office spaces. The scope of this work includes tenant improvements to the kitchen, housing units, and administrative areas, as well as modernizing plumbing, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning, and electrical throughout the facility, and installing new integrated electronic security and control systems, fire alarms, and communications systems (radio/data/phone). The project would not expand the footprint or capacity of the facility.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

Date Form Completed: January 13, 2025

County Contact Person: Dave Harbour

Telephone: 619-874-0708

This is to advise that the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors has approved the above-described project on February 25, 2025 (#), and found the project to be exempt from the CEQA under the following criteria:

Exempt status and applicable section of the CEQA ("C") and/or State CEQA Guidelines ("G"): (check only one)

- ☐ Declared Emergency [C 21080(b)(3); G 15269(a)]  
☐ Emergency Project [C 21080(b)(4); G 15269(b)(c)]  
☐ Statutory Exemption. C Section:  
☒ Categorical Exemption. G Section(s): 15301 Existing Facilities and 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction  
☐ G 15182 – Residential Projects Pursuant to a Specific Plan  
☐ Activity is exempt from the CEQA because it is not a project as defined in Section 15378.  
☐ G 15061(b)(3) - It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment and the activity is not subject to the CEQA.

Statement of reasons why project is exempt:

This project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15301 Existing Facilities as it as work involves the interior alteration of existing facilities and mechanical equipment and systems, involving no expansion of the facility's existing capacity or use. The project is exempt categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction as it involves the replacement of major utility systems with no expansion of the facility's existing capacity or use. Further, none of the exceptions in CEQA Section 15300.2 apply to this project. Additionally, the project will not impact environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern that are designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted by government agencies; does not contribute to cumulative environmental impact; will not have a significant impact on the environment due to unusual circumstances; does not damage scenic resources within a designated state scenic highway; is not on the list of Hazardous Waste and Substance Sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code; and does not cause adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

The following is to be filled in only upon formal project approval by the appropriate County of San Diego decision-making body.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (619) 414-4593

Name (Print): Marcus Lubich Title: Environmental Project Manager

This Notice of Exemption has been signed and filed by the County of San Diego.

This notice must be filed with the Recorder/County Clerk as soon as possible after project approval by the decision-making body. The Recorder/County Clerk must post this notice within 24 hours of receipt and for a period of not less than 30 days. At the termination of the posting period, the Recorder/County Clerk must return this notice to the Department address listed above along with evidence of the posting period. The originating Department must then retain the returned notice for a period of not less than twelve months. Reference: CEQA Guidelines Section 15062.