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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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Draft Mitigated Negative IO # 21002155

The City of San Diego Entitlements Division has prepared a draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for the following project and is inviting your comments regarding the adequacy of the document. **Your comments must be received by 7/11/10 to be included in the final document considered by the decision-making authorities.** Please send your written comments to the following address: **Jeffrey Szymanski, Environmental Planner, City of San Diego Development Services Center, 1222 First Avenue, MS 501, San Diego, CA 92101 or e-mail your comments to jszymanski@sandiego.gov with the Project Number in the subject line.**

General Project Information: Project Nos. 206474

Community Plan areas Ocean Beach, Mid-City Mission Beach, Greater Golden Hill and the Southeaster San Diego Planning areas

Council Districts: 2, 3 4 and 7

Project Description CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL to prioritize and form undergrounding utility districts. SDG&E would be constructing an Underground Utility System per the franchise agreement. The project would excavate trenches approximately 5 feet deep and 2.5 feet wide. The trenches would be located along one side of the public right-of-way, and would install conduit, substructures, and transformers located on concrete pads. In addition, the projects would install cable through the conduits; provide individual customer connections, removal of existing overhead lines and poles, and the installation of streetlights where applicable. Curb ramps would be installed where missing and, if applicable, street trees would be relocated or installed. The separate phased projects are located within the public right-of-way.

Applicant: City of San Diego, Engineering and Capital Projects Department, Right of Way Design Division.

Recommended Finding: The recommended finding that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment is based on an Initial Study and project revisions/conditions which now mitigate potentially significant environmental impacts in the following area(s): **Paleontological and Historical Resources.**

Availability in Alternative Format: To request this Notice, the Mitigated Negative Declaration, and/or supporting documents in alternative format, call the Development Services Department at 619-446-5349 or (800) 735-2929 (TEXT TELEPHONE).

Additional Information: For environmental review information, contact Jeffrey Szymanski at (619) 446-5324. The draft Mitigated Negative Declaration, and supporting documents may be reviewed, or purchased for the cost of reproduction, at the Fifth floor of the Development Services Center. For information regarding public meetings/hearings on this project, contact Project Manager Helene Deisher at (619) 446-5223. This notice was published in the SAN DIEGO DAILY TRANSCRIPT, placed on the City of San Diego web-site (<http://clerkdoc.sannet.gov/Website/publicnotice/pubnotceqa.html>), and distributed on 6/21/10.

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ENTITLEMENTS DIVISION
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MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project No. 206474
SCH# N/A

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The separate phased projects are located within the public right-of-way. The separate phased projects are located within the public right-of-way in the following areas: **Block 2Q - Sunset Cliffs Boulevard** (Coronado Avenue to Newport Avenue) in the Ocean Beach Community Plan; **Block 3O Lincoln Avenue** (30th Street to Wabash Avenue) in the MidCity:City Heights Community Plan; **Block 2S1** (north of North Jetty Road, south of San Fernando Place, east of Ocean Front Walk, west of Bayside Walk) in the Mission Beach Community Plan; **Block 3CC** (north of Hastings Road, south of I-8, east of I-15, west of Fairmont Avenue) in the MidCity-Kensington-Talmadge Community Plan; **Block 4N** (north of Mulberry Street, south of Madroncillo Street, east of Holstrom Place, west of 69th Street) in the Encanto Neighborhood, Southeastern Community Plan; **Block 8A** (north of Broadway, south of Russ Boulevard, east of I-5, west of 28th Street) in the Greater Golden Hill Community Plan; **30th Street 20A in Block 8J2** (Ocean View Boulevard to K Street) in the Southeastern Community Plan; **Euclid Avenue** (Euclid Avenue to University Avenue) in the MidCity Heights Community Plan. Applicant: City of San Diego, Engineering and Capital Projects Department, Right-of-Way Design Division. Contact: James Bajet

- I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: See attached Initial Study.
- II. ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING: See attached Initial Study.

III. DETERMINATION:

IV.

The City of San Diego conducted an Initial Study which determined that several of the proposed projects could have a significant environmental effect in the following areas(s): HISTORICAL RESOURCES (ARCHEOLGY), HISTORICAL RESOURCES (SIDEWALK AND STAMP PRESERVATION), LAND USE (MSCP/MHPA). The project proposal requires the implementation of specific mitigation identified in Section V of this Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). The project as presented avoids or mitigates the potentially significant environmental effects identified, and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) would not be required.

V. DOCUMENTATION:

The attached Initial Study documents the reasons to support the above Determination.

VI. MITIGATION, MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM:

A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS – PART I

Plan Check Phase (prior to permit issuance)

1. Prior to the issuance Bid Opening/Bid Award or beginning any construction related activity on-site, the Development Services Department (DSD) Director's Environmental Designee (ED) shall review and approve all Construction Documents (CD), (plans, specification, details, etc.) to ensure the MMRP requirements have been incorporated.
2. In addition, the ED shall verify that the MMRP Conditions/Notes that apply ONLY to the construction phases of this project are included VERBATIM, under the heading, "**ENVIRONMENTAL/MITIGATION REQUIREMENTS.**"
3. These notes must be shown within the first three (3) sheets of the construction documents in the format specified for engineering construction document templates as shown on the City website:

<http://www.sandiego.gov/development-services/industry/standtemp.shtml>

4. The **TITLE INDEX SHEET** must also show on which pages the "Environmental/Mitigation Requirements" notes are provided.

B. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS – PART II

Post Plan Check (After permit issuance/Prior to start of construction)

1. **PRE CONSTRUCTION MEETING IS REQUIRED TEN (10) WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO BEGINNING ANY WORK ON THIS PROJECT.** The PERMIT HOLDER/OWNER is responsible to arrange and perform this meeting by contacting the CITY RESIDENT ENGINEER (RE) of the Field Engineering Division and City staff from MITIGATION MONITORING COORDINATION

(MMC). Attendees must also include the Permit holder's Representative(s), Job Site Superintendent and the following consultants:

Archeologist and Native American Monitor

Note: Failure of all responsible Permit Holder's representatives and consultants to attend shall require an additional meeting with all parties present.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

- a) The PRIMARY POINT OF CONTACT is the **RE** at the **Field Engineering Division – 858-627-3200**
- b) For Clarification of ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS, it is also required to call **RE and MMC at 858-627-3360**

2. **MMRP COMPLIANCE:** This Project, Project Tracking System (PTS) 206474, shall conform to the mitigation requirements contained in the associated Environmental Document and implemented to the satisfaction of the DSD's ED, MMC and the City Engineer (RE). The requirements may not be reduced or changed but may be annotated (i.e. to explain when and how compliance is being met and location of verifying proof, etc.). Additional clarifying information may also be added to other relevant plan sheets and/or specifications as appropriate (i.e., specific locations, times of monitoring, methodology, etc

Note:

Permit Holder's Representatives must alert RE and MMC if there are any discrepancies in the plans or notes, or any changes due to field conditions. All conflicts must be approved by RE and MMC BEFORE the work is performed.

3. **OTHER AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:** Evidence that any other agency requirements or permits have been obtained or are in process shall be submitted to the RE and MMC for review and acceptance prior to the beginning of work or within one week of the Permit Holder obtaining documentation of those permits or requirements. Evidence shall include copies of permits, letters of resolution or other documentation issued by the responsible agency.

Not Applicable for this project.

4. **MONITORING EXHIBITS:** All consultants are required to submit, to RE and MMC, a monitoring exhibit on a 11x17 reduction of the appropriate construction plan, such as site plan, grading, landscape, etc., marked to clearly show the specific areas including the **LIMIT OF WORK**, scope of that discipline's work, and notes indicating when in the construction schedule that work will be performed. When necessary for clarification, a detailed methodology of how the work will be performed shall be included.

5. **OTHER SUBMITTALS AND INSPECTIONS:** The Permit Holder/Owner's representative shall submit all required documentation, verification letters, and

requests for all associated inspections to the RE and MMC for approval per the following schedule:

Document Submittal/Inspection Checklist

<u>Issue Area</u>	<u>Document submittal</u>	<u>Associated Inspection/Approvals/Note</u>
General	Consultant Qualification Letters Meeting	Prior to Pre-construction
General	Consultant Const. Monitoring	Prior to or at the Pre-Construction Meeting
Archaeology	Archaeology Reports	Archaeology observation
Historical	Historical Resources Report	Historical Resources Preservation
Final MMRP		Final MMRP Inspection

I. HISTORICAL RESOURCES (ARCHAEOLOGY). This section applies to the following projects only:

Part-time monitoring at **Block 2S1, Block 3O Lincoln Ave, Euclid Ave, Block 3CC;** Monitoring in the western portion only of **Block 4N;** Full time monitoring at **Block 2O - Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, Block 8A, 30th Street 20A in Block 8J2.**

I. Prior to Permit Issuance or Bid Opening/Bid Award

A. Entitlements Plan Check

1. Prior to permit issuance or Bid Opening/Bid Award, whichever is applicable, the Assistant Deputy Director (ADD) Environmental designee shall verify that the requirements for Archaeological Monitoring and Native American monitoring have been noted on the applicable construction documents through the plan check process.

B. Letters of Qualification have been submitted to ADD

1. Prior to Bid Award, the applicant shall submit a letter of verification to Mitigation Monitoring Coordination (MMC) identifying the Principal Investigator (PI) for the project and the names of all persons involved in the archaeological monitoring program, as defined in the City of San Diego Historical Resources Guidelines (HRG). If applicable, individuals involved in the archaeological monitoring program must have completed the 40-hour HAZWOPER training with certification documentation.
2. MMC will provide a letter to the applicant confirming the qualifications of the PI and all persons involved in the archaeological monitoring of the project meet the qualifications established in the HRG.
3. Prior to the start of work, the applicant must obtain written approval from MMC for any personnel changes associated with the monitoring program.

II. Prior to Start of Construction

A. Verification of Records Search

1. The PI shall provide verification to MMC that a site specific records search (1/4 mile radius) has been completed. Verification includes, but is not limited to a copy of a confirmation letter from South Coastal Information Center, or, if the search was in-house, a letter of verification from the PI stating that the search was completed.

2. The letter shall introduce any pertinent information concerning expectations and probabilities of discovery during trenching and/or grading activities.
 3. The PI may submit a detailed letter to MMC requesting a reduction to the ¼ mile radius.
- B. PI Shall Attend Precon Meetings
1. Prior to beginning any work that requires monitoring; the Applicant shall arrange a Precon Meeting that shall include the PI, Native American consultant/monitor (where Native American resources may be impacted), Construction Manager (CM) and/or Grading Contractor, Resident Engineer (RE), Building Inspector (BI), if appropriate, and MMC. The qualified Archaeologist and Native American Monitor shall attend any grading/excavation related Precon Meetings to make comments and/or suggestions concerning the Archaeological Monitoring program with the Construction Manager and/or Grading Contractor.
 - a. If the PI is unable to attend the Precon Meeting, the Applicant shall schedule a focused Precon Meeting with MMC, the PI, RE, CM or BI, if appropriate, prior to the start of any work that requires monitoring.
 2. Acknowledgement of Responsibility for Curation (CIP or Other Public Projects)
The applicant shall submit a letter to MMC acknowledging their responsibility for the cost of curation associated with all phases of the archaeological monitoring program.
 3. Identify Areas to be Monitored
 - a. Prior to the start of any work that requires monitoring, the PI shall submit an Archaeological Monitoring Exhibit (AME) (with verification that the AME has been reviewed and approved by the Native American consultant/monitor when Native American resources may be impacted) based on the appropriate construction documents (reduced to 11x17) to MMC identifying the areas to be monitored including the delineation of grading/excavation limits.
 - b. The AME shall be based on the results of a site specific records search as well as information regarding the age of existing pipelines, laterals and associated appurtenances and/or any known soil conditions (native or formation).
 - c. MMC shall notify the PI that the AME has been approved.
 4. When Monitoring Will Occur
 - a. Prior to the start of any work, the PI shall also submit a construction schedule to MMC through the RE indicating when and where monitoring will occur.
 - b. The PI may submit a detailed letter to MMC prior to the start of work or during construction requesting a modification to the monitoring program. This request shall be based on relevant information such as review of final construction documents which indicate conditions such as age of existing pipe to be replaced, depth of excavation and/or site graded to bedrock, etc., which may reduce or increase the potential for resources to be present.
 5. Approval of AME and Construction Schedule
After approval of the AME by MMC, the PI shall submit to MMC written authorization of the AME and Construction Schedule from the CM.

III. During Construction

- A. Monitor Shall be Present During Grading/Excavation/Trenching
1. The Archaeological Monitor shall be present full-time during all soil disturbing and grading/excavation/trenching activities which could result in impacts to archaeological resources as identified on the AME. **The Construction Manager is responsible for notifying the RE, PI, and MMC of changes to any construction activities such as in the case of a potential safety concern within the area being monitored. In certain circumstances OSHA safety requirements may necessitate modification of the AME.**

2. The Native American consultant/monitor shall determine the extent of their presence during soil disturbing and grading/excavation/trenching activities based on the AME and provide that information to the PI and MMC. If prehistoric resources are encountered during the Native American consultant/monitor's absence, work shall stop and the Discovery Notification Process detailed in Section III.B-C and IV.A-D shall commence.
 3. The PI may submit a detailed letter to MMC during construction requesting a modification to the monitoring program when a field condition such as modern disturbance post-dating the previous grading/trenching activities, presence of fossil formations, or when native soils are encountered that may reduce or increase the potential for resources to be present.
 4. The archaeological and Native American consultant/monitor shall document field activity via the Consultant Site Visit Record (CSVSR). The CSVSR's shall be faxed by the CM to the RE the first day of monitoring, the last day of monitoring, monthly (**Notification of Monitoring Completion**), and in the case of ANY discoveries. The RE shall forward copies to MMC.
- B. Discovery Notification Process
1. In the event of a discovery, the Archaeological Monitor shall direct the contractor to temporarily divert all soil disturbing activities, including but not limited to digging, trenching, excavating or grading activities in the area of discovery and in the area reasonably suspected to overlay adjacent resources and immediately notify the RE or BI, as appropriate.
 2. The Monitor shall immediately notify the PI (unless Monitor is the PI) of the discovery.
 3. The PI shall immediately notify MMC by phone of the discovery, and shall also submit written documentation to MMC within 24 hours by fax or email with photos of the resource in context, if possible.
 4. No soil shall be exported off-site until a determination can be made regarding the significance of the resource specifically if Native American resources are encountered.
- C. Determination of Significance
1. The PI and Native American consultant/monitor, where Native American resources are discovered shall evaluate the significance of the resource. If Human Remains are involved, follow protocol in Section IV below.
 - a. The PI shall immediately notify MMC by phone to discuss significance determination and shall also submit a letter to MMC indicating whether additional mitigation is required.
 - b. If the resource is significant, the PI shall submit an Archaeological Data Recovery Program (ADRP) and obtain written approval of the program from MMC, CM and RE. ADRP and any mitigation must be approved by MMC, RE and/or CM before ground disturbing activities in the area of discovery will be allowed to resume. **Note: If a unique archaeological site is also an historical resource as defined in CEQA Section 15064.5, then the limits on the amount(s) that a project applicant may be required to pay to cover mitigation costs as indicated in CEQA Section 21083.2 shall not apply.**
 - (1). Note: For pipeline trenching and other linear projects in the public Right-of-Way, the PI shall implement the Discovery Process for Pipeline Trenching projects identified below under "D."
 - c. If the resource is not significant, the PI shall submit a letter to MMC indicating that artifacts will be collected, curated, and documented in the Final Monitoring Report. The letter shall also indicate that that no further work is required.
 - (1). Note: For Pipeline Trenching and other linear projects in the public Right-of-Way, if the deposit is limited in size, both in length and depth; the information value is limited and is not associated with any other resource; and there are no

unique features/artifacts associated with the deposit, the discovery should be considered not significant.

- (2). Note, for Pipeline Trenching and other linear projects in the public Right-of-Way, if significance cannot be determined, the Final Monitoring Report and Site Record (DPR Form 523A/B) shall identify the discovery as Potentially Significant.

D. Discovery Process for Significant Resources - Pipeline Trenching and other Linear Projects in the Public Right-of-Way

The following procedure constitutes adequate mitigation of a significant discovery encountered during pipeline trenching activities or for other linear project types within the Public Right-of-Way including but not limited to excavation for jacking pits, receiving pits, laterals, and manholes to reduce impacts to below a level of significance:

1. Procedures for documentation, curation and reporting
 - a. One hundred percent of the artifacts within the trench alignment and width shall be documented in-situ, to include photographic records, plan view of the trench and profiles of side walls, recovered, photographed after cleaning and analyzed and curated. The remainder of the deposit within the limits of excavation (trench walls) shall be left intact.
 - b. The PI shall prepare a Draft Monitoring Report and submit to MMC via the RE as indicated in Section VI-A.
 - c. The PI shall be responsible for recording (on the appropriate State of California Department of Park and Recreation forms-DPR 523 A/B) the resource(s) encountered during the Archaeological Monitoring Program in accordance with the City's Historical Resources Guidelines. The DPR forms shall be submitted to the South Coastal Information Center for either a Primary Record or SDI Number and included in the Final Monitoring Report.
 - d. The Final Monitoring Report shall include a recommendation for monitoring of any future work in the vicinity of the resource.

IV. Discovery of Human Remains

If human remains are discovered, work shall halt in that area and no soil shall be exported off-site until a determination can be made regarding the provenance of the human remains; and the following procedures as set forth in CEQA Section 15064.5(e), the California Public Resources Code (Sec. 5097.98) and State Health and Safety Code (Sec. 7050.5) shall be undertaken:

A. Notification

1. Archaeological Monitor shall notify the RE or BI as appropriate, MMC, and the PI, if the Monitor is not qualified as a PI. MMC will notify the appropriate Senior Planner in the Environmental Analysis Section (EAS) of the Development Services Department to assist with the discovery notification process.
2. The PI shall notify the Medical Examiner after consultation with the RE, either in person or via telephone.

B. Isolate discovery site

1. Work shall be directed away from the location of the discovery and any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlay adjacent human remains until a determination can be made by the Medical Examiner in consultation with the PI concerning the provenience of the remains.
2. The Medical Examiner, in consultation with the PI, will determine the need for a field examination to determine the provenience.
3. If a field examination is not warranted, the Medical Examiner will determine with input from the PI, if the remains are or are most likely to be of Native American origin.

C. If Human Remains **ARE** determined to be Native American

1. The Medical Examiner will notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours. By law, **ONLY** the Medical Examiner can make this call.
 2. NAHC will immediately identify the person or persons determined to be the Most Likely Descendent (MLD) and provide contact information.
 3. The MLD will contact the PI within 24 hours or sooner after the Medical Examiner has completed coordination, to begin the consultation process in accordance with CEQA Section 15064.5(e), the California Public Resources and Health & Safety Codes.
 4. The MLD will have 48 hours to make recommendations to the property owner or representative, for the treatment or disposition with proper dignity, of the human remains and associated grave goods.
 5. Disposition of Native American Human Remains will be determined between the MLD and the PI, and, if:
 - a. The NAHC is unable to identify the MLD, OR the MLD failed to make a recommendation within 48 hours after being notified by the Commission, OR;
 - b. The landowner or authorized representative rejects the recommendation of the MLD and mediation in accordance with PRC 5097.94 (k) by the NAHC fails to provide measures acceptable to the landowner, THEN
 - c. To protect these sites, the landowner shall do one or more of the following:
 - (1) Record the site with the NAHC;
 - (2) Record an open space or conservation easement; or
 - (3) Record a document with the County.
 - d. Upon the discovery of multiple Native American human remains during a ground disturbing land development activity, the landowner may agree that additional conferral with descendants is necessary to consider culturally appropriate treatment of multiple Native American human remains. Culturally appropriate treatment of such a discovery may be ascertained from review of the site utilizing cultural and archaeological standards. Where the parties are unable to agree on the appropriate treatment measures the human remains and buried with Native American human remains shall be reinterred with appropriate dignity, pursuant to Section 5.c., above.
- D. If Human Remains are **NOT** Native American
1. The PI shall contact the Medical Examiner and notify them of the historic era context of the burial.
 2. The Medical Examiner will determine the appropriate course of action with the PI and City staff (PRC 5097.98).
 3. If the remains are of historic origin, they shall be appropriately removed and conveyed to the San Diego Museum of Man for analysis. The decision for internment of the human remains shall be made in consultation with MMC, EAS, the applicant/landowner, any known descendant group, and the San Diego Museum of Man.

V. Night and/or Weekend Work

- A. If night and/or weekend work is included in the contract
1. When night and/or weekend work is included in the contract package, the extent and timing shall be presented and discussed at the precon meeting.
 2. The following procedures shall be followed.
 - a. No Discoveries
In the event that no discoveries were encountered during night and/or weekend work, the PI shall record the information on the CSV and submit to MMC via fax by 8AM of the next business day.
 - b. Discoveries
All discoveries shall be processed and documented using the existing procedures detailed in Sections III - During Construction, and IV – Discovery of Human Remains. Discovery of human remains shall always be treated as a significant discovery.

- c. Potentially Significant Discoveries
If the PI determines that a potentially significant discovery has been made, the procedures detailed under Section III - During Construction and IV-Discovery of Human Remains shall be followed.
 - d. The PI shall immediately contact the RE and MMC, or by 8AM of the next business day to report and discuss the findings as indicated in Section III-B, unless other specific arrangements have been made.
- B. If night and/or weekend work becomes necessary during the course of construction
- 1. The Construction Manager shall notify the RE, or BI, as appropriate, a minimum of 24 hours before the work is to begin.
 - 2. The RE, or BI, as appropriate, shall notify MMC immediately.
- C. All other procedures described above shall apply, as appropriate.

VI. Post Construction

- A. Submittal of Draft Monitoring Report
- 1. The PI shall submit two copies of the Draft Monitoring Report (even if negative), prepared in accordance with the Historical Resources Guidelines (Appendix C/D) which describes the results, analysis, and conclusions of all phases of the Archaeological Monitoring Program (with appropriate graphics) to MMC via the RE for review and approval within 90 days following the completion of monitoring. **It should be noted that if the PI is unable to submit the Draft Monitoring Report within the allotted 90-day timeframe as a result of delays with analysis, special study results or other complex issues, a schedule shall be submitted to MMC establishing agreed due dates and the provision for submittal of monthly status reports until this measure can be met.**
 - a. For significant archaeological resources encountered during monitoring, the Archaeological Data Recovery Program or Pipeline Trenching Discovery Process shall be included in the Draft Monitoring Report.
 - b. Recording Sites with State of California Department of Parks and Recreation
The PI shall be responsible for recording (on the appropriate State of California Department of Park and Recreation forms-DPR 523 A/B) any significant or potentially significant resources encountered during the Archaeological Monitoring Program in accordance with the City's Historical Resources Guidelines, and submittal of such forms to the South Coastal Information Center with the Final Monitoring Report.
 - 2. MMC shall return the Draft Monitoring Report to the PI via the RE for revision or, for preparation of the Final Report.
 - 3. The PI shall submit revised Draft Monitoring Report to MMC via the RE for approval.
 - 4. MMC shall provide written verification to the PI of the approved report.
 - 5. MMC shall notify the RE or BI, as appropriate, of receipt of all Draft Monitoring Report submittals and approvals.
- B. Handling of Artifacts
- 1. The PI shall be responsible for ensuring that all cultural remains collected are cleaned and catalogued
 - 2. The PI shall be responsible for ensuring that all artifacts are analyzed to identify function and chronology as they relate to the history of the area; that faunal material is identified as to species; and that specialty studies are completed, as appropriate.
- C. Curation of artifacts: Accession Agreement and Acceptance Verification
- 1. The PI shall be responsible for ensuring that all artifacts associated with the survey, testing and/or data recovery for this project are permanently curated with an appropriate institution. This shall be completed in consultation with MMC and the Native American representative, as applicable.

2. When applicable to the situation, the PI shall include written verification from the Native American consultant/monitor indicating that Native American resources were treated in accordance with state law and/or applicable agreements. If the resources were reinterred, verification shall be provided to show what protective measures were taken to ensure no further disturbance occurs in accordance with Section IV – Discovery of Human Remains, Subsection C.
 3. The PI shall submit the Accession Agreement and catalogue record(s) to the RE or BI, as appropriate for donor signature with a copy submitted to MMC.
 4. The RE or BI, as appropriate shall obtain signature on the Accession Agreement and shall return to PI with copy submitted to MMC.
 5. The PI shall include the Acceptance Verification from the curation institution in the Final Monitoring Report submitted to the RE or BI and MMC.
- D. Final Monitoring Report(s)
1. The PI shall submit one copy of the approved Final Monitoring Report to the RE or BI as appropriate, and one copy to MMC (even if negative), within 90 days after notification from MMC of the approved report.
 2. The RE shall, in no case, issue the Notice of Completion until receiving a copy of the approved Final Monitoring Report from MMC which includes the Acceptance Verification from the curation institution.

HISTORICAL RESOURCES (SIDEWALK AND STAMP PRESERVATION). This section applies to only:

Block 2Q - Sunset Cliff Boulevard Project only.

I. Prior to the Pre-Construction Meeting

- A. A qualified historic consultant in Historic Preservation or History, as defined by the City of San Diego Historic Resources Guidelines shall be retained. A copy of the retainer letter shall be submitted to City of San Diego Development Services Department (DSD) Mitigation Monitoring Coordination (MMC) to be placed in the project file for reference.
- B. MMC shall be the primary Point of Contact (POC) for issues related to all Historic Resources Sidewalk and Stamp Preservation requirements. All communication shall be made to MMC and MMC shall be required to communicate between the Historic Resources Board (HRB) staff, the city's Resident Engineer, the historic consultant, and the contractor to ensure that all necessary mitigation in this section is appropriately addressed.
- C. A Historic Sidewalk and Stamp Preservation Plan (HSSPP) shall be prepared by the qualified historic consultant. The historic consultant shall ensure that the HSSPP addresses the following:
 1. Photo documentation of each sidewalk stamp, with a corresponding location map.
 2. Detailed plans which show the existing and proposed location and orientation of each sidewalk stamp. If the stamp will remain in-situ, this must be indicated on the plans.
 3. Details regarding the manner in which the sidewalk stamps will be cut, removed, stored (if applicable), and re-set in their new location.

4. Color, texture and scoring specifications for new sidewalks to ensure that any new improvements or repair match the historic sidewalks in color, texture and scoring. A physical sample of the proposed sidewalk material (which illustrates the finished color and texture) must be provided.
 5. Molds of each sidewalk stamp impacted by the improvements shall be taken in order to allow reconstruction of the sidewalk stamp should it be irreparably damaged during the relocation process.
- D. MMC shall obtain the prepared HSSPP from the historic consultant and shall circulate the copy to the HRB for staff review and approval prior to the Pre-Construction meeting.

II. At the Pre-Construction Meeting

- A. MMC, the city's Resident Engineer, the retained historic consultant, and the project contractor shall be at the Pre-Construction Meeting to assure communication, coordination, and conformance with the HSSPP.

III. Prior to Start of Construction and During All Construction Activities

- A. MMC, the city's Resident Engineer, the retained historic consultant, and project contractor shall ensure that the HSSPP is implemented during demolition and improvement activities requiring:
1. All existing concrete stamps/impressions that include contractor date stamp and street name stamps on all hardscape shall be sawcut (full depth along existing score marks) or at a minimum distance of two inches from the edge of the stamp, as recommended by a historic consultant, shall be carefully removed. All removed stamps shall be relocated to the parkway area/face of the newly constructed sidewalks. The historic stamp/impression shall be set in new concrete with a six-inch wide concrete border surrounding the stamp/impression and a four-inch concrete layer below. The position of the historical stamp/impression shall be such that it can be read from the sidewalk and as close as practical to the original location and orientation of the stamp/impression, as determined by the Resident Engineer in consultation with the qualified historical consultant.
 2. Any damaged sidewalk stamps shall be relocated and/or repaired in consultation with the retained historical consultant. If the historical stamp/impression is in a condition such that it cannot be repaired and relocated, as determined by the Resident Engineer in consultation with the qualified historical consultant, the contractor shall recast the original sidewalk stamp using molds taken as part of the Historic Sidewalk and Stamp Preservation Plan. In no instance shall the current contractor's name or stamp be used within the boundaries of the historic district.

Land Use (MSCP/MHPA)

No clearing, grubbing, grading, or other construction activities shall occur between March 1 and August 15. Which is the breeding season of the coastal California gnatcatcher.

VI. PUBLIC REVIEW DISTRIBUTION:

Draft copies or notice of this Mitigated Negative Declaration were distributed to:

City of San Diego:

Council District 6, Councilmember Frye
Development Services Department
Public Utilities Department
Branch Library (MS 17)
Beckwourth Branch Library (81c)
Weingart Branch Library/City Heights (81g)
Kensington-Normal Heights Branch Library (81k)
Ocean Beach Branch Library (81v)
Paradise Hills Branch Library (81y)
Hervey Branch Library (81z)
University Branch Library (81kk)
Historical Resources Board (87)

Other

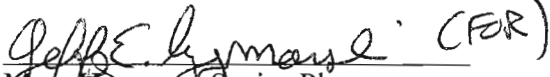
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Louis Guassac (215A)
San Diego County Archaeological Society (218)
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Native American Distribution (225A-R Public Notice only)
Community Planners Committee (194)
Ocean Beach Planning Board (367)
City Heights Area Planning Committee
Mission Beach Planning Committee (287)
Precise Planning Board (325)
Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group (265)
Encanto Neighborhoods Community Planning Group (449A)
Greater Golden Hill Planning Committee (259)
Southeastern San Diego Planning Group (449)
San Diego Gas and Electric (SDGE) (114)
San Diego Transit Corporation (112)

VII. RESULTS OF PUBLIC REVIEW:

- () No comments were received during the public input period.
- () Comments were received but did not address the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration finding or the accuracy/completeness of the Initial Study. No response is necessary. The letters are attached.

- o Comments addressing the findings of the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and/or accuracy or completeness of the Initial Study were received during the public input period. The letters and responses follow.

Copies of the draft **Mitigated Negative Declaration**, the Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Program and any Initial Study material are available in the office of the Land Development Review Division for review, or for purchase at the cost of reproduction.


Myra Hermann, Senior Planner
Development Services Department

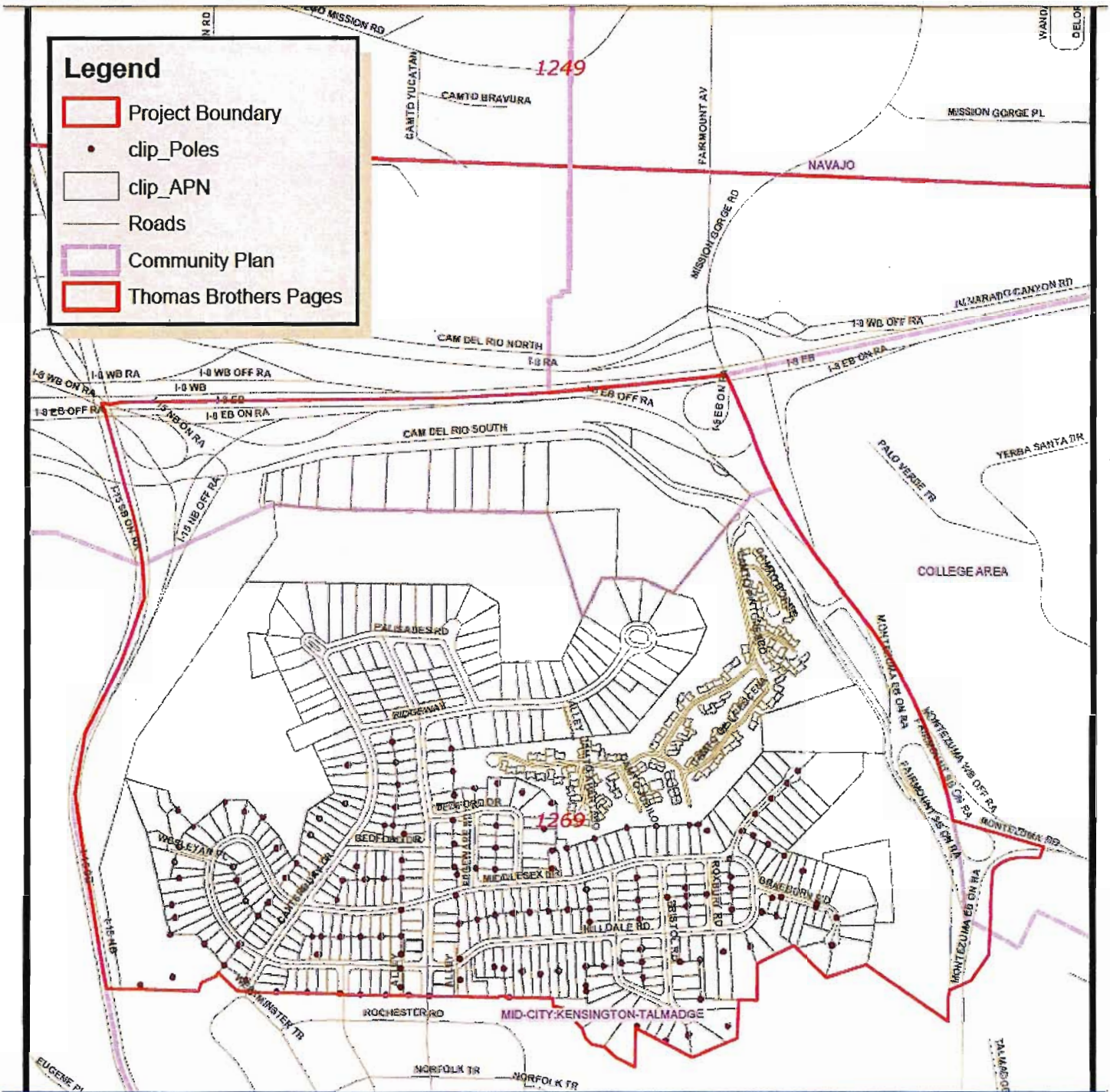
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Date of Draft Report

Analyst: J. Szymanski

Attachments:

- Figure 1 Block 2Q
- Figure 2 Block 30
- Figure 3 Block 2S1
- Figure 4 Block 3CC
- Figure 5 Block 4N
- Figure 6 Block 8a
- Figure 7 Block 8j2
- Figure 8 Euclid

Initial Study Checklist



Location Map Block 3CC
2009 Underground Utility District Projects/PTS 206474
 City of San Diego – Development Services Department

FIGURE
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INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST

1. Project Title/Project number: 2009 Underground Utility District Projects/PTS 206474
2. Lead agency name and address: Jeff Szymanski, Associate Planner, 619-446-5324
3. Contact person and phone number: City of San Diego, Development Services Department, 1222 First Avenue, MS 501, San Diego, CA 92101
4. Project location: Varies City-wide, see below:

Block 2Q - Sunset Cliffs Boulevard (Coronado Avenue to Newport Avenue) in the Ocean Beach Community Plan; **Block 3O Lincoln Avenue** (30th Street to Wabash Avenue) in the MidCity:City Heights Community Plan; **Block 2S1** (north of North Jetty Road, south of San Fernando Place, east of Ocean Front Walk, west of Bayside Walk) in the Mission Beach Community Plan; **Block 3CC** (north of Hastings Road, south of I-8, east of I-15, west of Fairmont Avenue) in the Mid City-Kensington-Talmadge Community Plan; **Block 4N** (north of Mulberry Street, south of Madroncillo Street, east of Holstrom Place, west of 69th Street) in the Encanto Neighborhood, Southeastern Community Plan; **Block 8A** (north of Broadway, south of Russ Boulevard, east of I-5, west of 28th Street) in the Greater Golden Hill Community Plan; **30th Street 20A in Block 8J2** (Ocean View Boulevard to K Street) in the Southeastern Community Plan; **Euclid Avenue** (Euclid Avenue to University Avenue) in the Mid City Heights Community Plan.

5. Project Applicant/Sponsor's name and address:

James Bajet, Assistant Engineer,
City of San Diego Utilities Undergrounding Program
Right of Way Division, Engineering and Capital Projects Department
600 B St. San Diego, CA 92101
619-533-5112

6. General Plan designation: Right-of-Way (surrounding residential and commercial)
7. Zoning: Right-of-Way (surrounding various residential, commercial zoning)
8. Description of project (Describe the whole action involved, including but not limited to, later phases of the project, and any secondary, support, or off-site features necessary for its implementation.): CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL to prioritize and form undergrounding utility districts. SDG&E would be constructing an Underground Utility System per the franchise agreement. The project would excavate trenches approximately 5 feet deep and 2.5 feet wide. The trenches would be located along one side of the public right-of-way, and would install conduit, substructures, and transformers located on concrete pads. In addition, the projects would install cable through the conduits; provide individual customer connections, removal of existing overhead lines and poles, and the installation of

streetlights where applicable. Curb ramps would be installed where missing and, if applicable, street trees would be relocated or installed. The separate phased projects are located within the public right-of-way.

9. Surrounding land uses and setting: Briefly describe the project's surroundings: The surrounding land use is predominantly a single-family residential neighborhood and commercial.
10. Other public agencies whose approval is required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or participation agreement.): None

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aesthetics | <input type="checkbox"/> Greenhouse Gas Emissions | <input type="checkbox"/> Population/Housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture and Services
Forestry Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Hazards & Hazardous Materials | <input type="checkbox"/> Public |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality | <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrology/Water Quality | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Use/Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation/Traffic |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cultural Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Mineral Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Utilities/Service System |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geology/Soils | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mandatory Findings Significance |

DETERMINATION: (To be completed by Lead Agency)

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

- The proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- Although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made