



Date of Notice: June 6, 2018

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PROJECT NAME/NUMBER: UC San Diego Erodium Ant Study

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:

Balboa Park	Navajo
Carmel Valley	Pacific Beach
City Heights	Peninsula
Clairemont Mesa	Rancho Encantada
Del Mar Mesa	Rancho Peñasquitos
East Elliott	Serra Mesa
Greater Golden Hill	Tierrasanta
Greater North Park	Torrey Hills
La Jolla	Torrey Pines
Mission Valley	University
Mira Mesa	Uptown

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9

LOCATION:

32 nd Street Canyon Open Space	Maple Canyon Open Space
34 th Street Canyon Open Space	Mid-City Open Space
Balboa Regional Park	Mission Trails Regional Park
Bankers Hill Canyon Open Space	Pottery Canyon Open Space
Bay Ridge Open Space	Presidio Open Space
Clear Site 628 Open Space	Rose Canyon Open Space
Collier Neighborhood Park	Serra Mesa Open Space
Kate Sessions Neighborhood Park	Standley Community Park
Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve	Sunset Cliffs Regional Park

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project consists of a research study by UC San Diego on the impacts of an invasive forb (*Erodium* spp.) on native ant communities at the locations listed above. All sampling sites shall be accessed by foot only with consideration taken to minimize trampling native habitat. Vehicular access is allowed on approved designated access roads only and under permission and in coordination with the City. Sampling includes vegetation sampling (no impact) and sampling of invertebrates using pitfall traps (small bowls buried with minimal ground disturbance). Removal of the *Erodium* spp. will be completed by trimming above ground biomass and avoiding soil disturbance.

ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL: City of San Diego

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: Categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15306 (Information Collection).

ENTITY MAKING ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: City of San Diego Mayor-Appointed Designee.

STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

The City of San Diego conducted an environmental review that determined the project would not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15306 (Information Collection) which consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource; and where the exceptions listed in CEQA Section 15300.2 would not apply in that no cumulative impacts were identified; no significant effects on the environment were identified; the project is not adjacent to a scenic highway; no historical resources would be affected by the action; and the project was not identified on a list of hazardous waste sites pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

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On June 6, 2018, the City of San Diego made the above-referenced environmental determination pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This determination is appealable to the City Council. If you have any questions about this determination, contact the City Contact listed above.

Applications to appeal CEQA determination to the City Council must be filed in the office of the City Clerk within 10 business days from the date of the posting of this Notice (**June 20, 2018**). The appeal application can be obtained from the City Clerk, 202 'C' Street, Second Floor, San Diego, CA 92101.

This information will be made available in alternative formats upon request.

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