



**Date of Notice:** October 14, 2016

# **NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

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**PROJECT NAME/NUMBER:** Right of Entry Permit – San Diego State University Research Foundation

**COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:** Old Town

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** 3

**LOCATION:** 4136 Wallace St., San Diego, CA 92110 within the City-owned Presidio Hills Golf Course

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** SDSU Research Foundation (PERMITTEE) is currently conducting research on the seismic activity of the Newport-Inglewood/Rose Canyon (NI/RC) Fault System that runs along Southern California's coast (Project). The purpose of the Project is to understand the future potential seismic hazards and the significance and potential impacts an earthquake in the NI/RC may have on Southern California. PERMITTEE has requested permission to investigate the NI/RC where it crosses through the Property using a phased approach. Phase One which was conducted in 2012 involved conducting twelve (12) cone penetration tests (CPT) with the understanding that if fault traces of the NI/RC were found on City Property, PERMITTEE would request a second phase of investigations involving trenching. Phase Two involves excavation of one, three-foot wide by 12-foot deep geologic trench up to 200 feet long between CPT 8 and CPT 12 using a backhoe. All soil will be placed next to the trench and used to backfill the trench and any damaged sod replaced. Trenching activities will be conducted in the same area where CPT and archaeological testing was conducted in 2012. The current effort will be monitored by a qualified archaeologist and a Native American observer.

**ENTITY CONSIDERING PROJECT APPROVAL:** City of San Diego Mayor-Appointed Designee

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** CEQA Exemption Section 15301(Existing facilities), Section 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land), Section 15306 (Information Collection) and Section 15331 (Historical Resources Restoration/Rehabilitation)

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

**STATEMENT SUPPORTING REASON FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** This activity has been determined to be exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) which allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alterations of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use; Section 15304 (minor Alterations to Land) which consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which would not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for agricultural use, and for minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored; Section 15306

(Information Collection) which allows for the basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource which may be strictly for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved, adopted or funded, Section 15331 (Historical Resources Restoration/Rehabilitation) which allows for maintenance, repair, stabilization, restoration, preservation, conservation or reconstruction of historical resources in a manner consistent with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings; and where the exceptions listed in CEQA Section 15300.2 would not apply in that no cumulative impacts were identified; no significant effect 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 October 14, 2016, 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 Project Manager listed above.

Applications to appeal CEQA determination made by staff (including the City Manager) 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 (**October 28, 2016**). 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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