



Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Storm Drain / Corrugated Metal Pipe Emergency Repair CIP No. DRN0216

Project Applicant: City of Chula Vista, (619) 476-2329

Project Location-Specific: Various locations throughout the City of Chula Vista, CA

Project Location-City: City of Chula Vista **Project Location-County:** San Diego

Description of Project:

Storm Drain Emergency Repair: There is an ongoing threat of Corrugated Metal Pipe (CMP) failures within the City of Chula Vista's storm drain system. Historically, a significant rain event can drastically deteriorate CMP and abruptly change the recognized status of not being an imminent threat of failure to becoming an unforeseen failure. Such failures would create sink holes that have the potential to cause damage to public and private property and endanger the health, safety and general welfare of the community.

The City has recently encountered multiple CMP failure locations that have been addressed by Construction Change Orders (CCO's) through current Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects in construction with similar scopes and available contingency funds. This is a method, however, that cannot be relied upon confidently to address CMP failure issues as they may arise.

This has prompted City staff to propose the establishment of the "Corrugated Metal Pipe Emergency Repair" (DRN0216) CIP project that will be dedicated to addressing future emergency CMP failures. By having a funded CIP project readily available, emergency failures can be addressed directly by this project. The proposed project will also eliminate the need to coordinate with other storm drain CIP projects for change orders to complete construction based on funding availability.

Due to the varied nature of CMP rehabilitation work, all failure locations will be procured on a Time and Materials basis or through competitive bidding; City staff will determine the best option based on the failure situation and in order to obtain the lowest cost. Construction contracts will be authorized pursuant to Chula Vista Municipal Code 2.56.100(A) or through typical construction contract award procedures which will also depend on the failure situation being addressed.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Chula Vista

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Chula Vista
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Exempt Status:

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Existing Facilities, Section 15301, Class 1; Replacement or Reconstruction, Section 15302, Class 2; New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, Section 15303, Class 3; Minor Alterations to Land, Section 15304, Class 4
- Statutory Exemptions. Section 15269(b) (Emergency Projects); Section 15359 (Emergency)
- General Rule Exemption: Section 15061(b)(3)
- Other: (Section 15378 (b)(5))

Reasons to support exemption findings: The proposed actions would not result in a significant effect on the environment, create a cumulative impact, damage a scenic highway, be located on a site pursuant to Section 65962.5, or cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. The project involves no expansion of an existing use.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Cheryl Goddard **Area Code/Telephone/Extension:** (619) 476-2329

Signature: _____ **Date:** June 10, 2020 **Title:** Senior Planner

- Signed by Lead Agency