

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To:  Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Suite 121 Sacramento, California 95814
From: Novato Sanitary District 500 Davidson Street Novato, CA 94945
 County Clerk of Marin County

Project Title
Collection System Improvements; Project No. 72706-2022-01, Arthur Street Sewer Upgrade Project

Project Location (Specific):
The following streets: Arthur Street between South Novato Blvd. and Novato High School.

Project Location (City): Novato
Project Location - County: Marin

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project
This activity consists of the discretionary approval for the project. The project consists of replacing 1,181 feet of 10" sewer with 1,187 feet of 15" sewer. This work is being completed to reduce the possibility of a sanitary sewer overflow into waterways by upsizing the Arthur Street Sewer as recommended in the October 2019 Collection System Master Plan. The beneficiaries of the project include the people served by the Novato Sanitary District and the people of the State of California, by eliminating the potential for discharge of sewage into nearby creeks, storm drains and Novato Creek.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project
Novato Sanitary District

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Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project
Novato Sanitary District

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Exempt Status: (Check One)
Ministerial (Section 15073)
Declared Emergency (Section 15071(a))
Emergency Project (Section 15071(b) and (c))
[X] Categorical or Statutory Exemption. State type and section number: State Guidelines Section 15302(c), replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structures will be located on the same site as the structures replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structures replaced.

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MARIN COUNTY CLERK
By J. GILARDI Deputy
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Reasons why project is exempt
This project meets the criteria of a Class II categorical exemption, as set forth in Section 15302 of the State Guidelines. This determination is made because the work is considered a replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structures will be located on the same site as the structures replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structures replaced.

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Date Received for Filing

Sandeep K. Karkal
Signature

General Manager-Chief Engineer
Title

**NOVATO SANITARY DISTRICT  
PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

Name of Project:

Collection System Improvements, District Project No. 72706-2022-01, Arthur Street Sewer Upgrade Project.

Location and Description:

Work will be located on Arthur Street between South Novato Blvd. and Novato High School in Novato, California. The project consists of replacing 1,181 feet of 10" sewer with 1,187 feet of 15" sewer. This work is being completed to reduce the possibility of a sanitary sewer overflow into waterways by upsizing the Arthur Street Sewer as recommended in the October 2019 Collection System Master Plan.

Entity or Person Undertaking Project:

Novato Sanitary District

Staff Determination:

The District, having undertaken and completed a preliminary review of this project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), finds that this work does not require further environmental assessment as the project is Categorically Exempt under State CEQA Guidelines – **Class II** (Section 15302, (c)). This determination was made because the work consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

Date: March 14, 2023

  
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Authorized Person