

Notice of Exemption

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COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

To: County Clerk
County of Santa Cruz
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95062

From: Santa Cruz Port District
135 5th Avenue
Santa Cruz, CA 95062

Project Title: Santa Cruz Harbor Storm Surge Damage Emergency Repair and Protection Work

Project Location – Specific:
Santa Cruz Harbor, 135 5th Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062.

Project Location – City: Santa Cruz **Project Location – County:** Santa Cruz

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
Repair, replacement and stabilization of harbor marine infrastructure damaged during storm surge waves on December 23, 2024, including, but not limited to: debris removal throughout the harbor; repair of docks and electrical utility damage; reconstruction and repair of docks and damaged end-ties; and other miscellaneous dock damage throughout the harbor. Work will require the replacement of up to 150 damaged piles and pile guides.

Emergency work is currently underway and is being completed in a manner consistent with Regional General Permit Number 5 (RGP5) issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for repair and protection activities in emergency situations, and Technically Conditioned 401 Certification of RGP5 by the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board. Emergency work is necessary to restore the integrity and serviceability of damaged marine structures, protect the environment, safeguard property, ensure public safety and the navigability of harbor waters and the federal channel.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Santa Cruz Port District THIS NOTICE HAS BEEN POSTED AT THE CLERK
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Santa Cruz Port District OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OFFICE FOR A
PERIOD COMMENCING 3/14/2025

- Exempt Status** (check one):
- 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: _____
 - Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

AND ENDING 4/19/2025

Reasons why project is exempt:
Declared emergency (state and local) due to damaged caused by storm surge event of December 23, 2024.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Holland MacLaurie **Area Code / Telephone Extension:** (831) 475-6161, ext. 1000

- If filed by applicant:**
1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
 2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  Date: March 12, 2025 Title: Port Director

- Signed by Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant