



**HUGH NGUYEN**  
CLERK - RECORDER

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PROPERTY RECORDS

April 10, 2025

CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH  
100 CIVIC CENTER DR PO BOX 1768  
NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92658-8915

Office of the ORANGE COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER  
**Memorandum**

SUBJECT: EIR NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

The attached notice was received, filed and a copy was posted on 4/10/2025

**It remained posted for 30 (thirty) days.**

HUGH NGUYEN  
CLERK - RECORDER  
In and for the County of ORANGE

By: 428 - Deputy

**Public Resource Code 21092.3**

The notice required pursuant to Sections 21080.4 and 21092 for an environmental impact report shall be posted in the office of the County Clerk of each county \*\*\* in which the project will be located and shall remain posted for a period of 30 days. The notice required pursuant to Section 21092 for a negative declaration shall be so posted for a period of 20 days, unless otherwise required by law to be posted for 30 days. The County Clerk shall post notices within 24 hours of receipt.

**Public Resource Code 21152**

All notices filed pursuant to this section shall be available for public inspection, and shall be posted \*\*\* within 24 hours of receipt in the office of the County Clerk. Each notice shall remain posted for a period of 30 days.

\*\*\* Thereafter, the clerk shall return the notice to the local lead agency \*\*\* within a notation of the period it was posted. The local lead agency shall retain the notice for not less than nine months.

Additions or changes by underline; deletions by \*\*\*

NORTH COUNTY BRANCH OFFICE  
WELLS FARGO BUILDING  
222 S. HARBOR BLVD., STE 110  
ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA 92805

ORANGE COUNTY  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION SOUTH  
601 N. ROSS STREET  
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701

OLD ORANGE COUNTY  
COURTHOUSE  
211 W. SANTA ANA BLVD. ROOM 201  
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701

SOUTH COUNTY BRANCH OFFICE  
LAGUNA HILLS CIVIC CENTER  
24031 EL TORO ROAD, SUITE 150  
LAGUNA HILLS, CALIFORNIA 92653



ORANGE COUNTY  
CLERK-RECORDER  
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

202585000295

**FILED**

April 10, 2025

HUGH NGUYEN

CLERK - RECORDER

By H. Nguyen  
Deputy clerk

30-04/10/2025-0227

THIS SPACE FOR CLERK'S USE ONLY

Complete and attach this form to each CEQA Notice filed with the County Clerk-Recorder

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Project Title

BIG CANYON COUNTRY CLUB GOLF COURSE RENOVATION

**Check Document being Filed:**

- ☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- ☐ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- ☒ Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- ☐ Other (Please fill in type):

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE ORANGE  
COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER ON 04/10/2025  
Posted 04/10/2025 Removed \_\_\_\_\_  
Returned to agency on \_\_\_\_\_  
DEPUTY 428

Filing fees are due at the time a Notice of Determination/Exemption is filed with our office. For more information on filing fees and No Effect Determinations, please refer to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 753.5.

## Notice of Exemption

**To: Office of Planning and Research**  
**P.O. Box 3044, Room 212**  
**Sacramento, CA 95812-3044**

**From: (Public Agency)** City of Newport Beach  
100 Civic Center Drive  
Newport Beach, CA 92660  
(Address)

**County Clerk**

**County of** Orange

211 W Santa Ana Boulevard, #201

Santa Ana, CA 92701

**Project Title:** Big Canyon Country Club Golf Course Renovation

**Project Location – Specific:** One Big Canyon Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660

**Project Location – City:** City of Newport Beach

**Project Location – County:** Orange

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:** Big Canyon Country Club plans to renovate its golf course (1) to fully replace existing irrigation facilities nearing the end of their useful life with a state-of-the-art irrigation system to enable efficient, more targeted irrigation and minimize the potential of overwatering, (2) to correct areas of minor drainage deficiencies, and (3) to update the golf course while the course is closed to play during implementation of the irrigation project.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Newport Beach

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Big Canyon Country Club One Big Canyon Drive  
Newport Beach, CA 92660

**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(c));

☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 2 Section 15302 (b)(c)

☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The proposed project involves the replacement of aged irrigation facilities, correct drainage deficiencies and updating the golf course with no expansion of existing use.

**Lead Agency**

**Contact Person:** Liz Westmoreland, AICP

**Area Code/Telephone/Extension:** 949.644.3234

**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:** Liz Westmoreland

**Date:** 4-10-25

**Title:** Principal Planner

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

☐ Signed by Applicant

**Date received for filing at OPR:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FILED**

APR 10 2025

HUGH NGUYEN, CLERK-RECORDER

BY: M.G. DEPUTY

Revised 2005



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
**CASH RECEIPT**  
DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

Print

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RECEIPT NUMBER:

30-04/10/2025-0227

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH		04/10/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING		DOCUMENT NUMBER
ORANGE COUNTY		202585000295
PROJECT TITLE		

BIG CANYON COUNTRY CLUB GOLF COURSE RENOVATION

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
BIG CANYON COUNTRY CLUB		(949) 644-3234
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE
ONE BIG CANYON DRIVE	NEWPORT BEACH	CA
		ZIP CODE
		92660

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☐ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☒ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$ 4,123.50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$ 2,968.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$ 1,401.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Exempt from fee

☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)

☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$ 850.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ County documentary handling fee \$ 50.00 \$ 50.00  
☐ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☒ Credit ☐ Check ☐ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE

X

*Melissa Gomez*

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Melissa Gomez Deputy Clerk

Orange County  
Clerk-Recorder

Hugh Nguyen  
601 N. Ross Street  
Santa Ana, CA 92701  
(714) 834-2500

Receipt No.: RPT20250000074973

Finalization No.: 20250000105362

Cashier: 428

Register: VITALSINDEXING

Date/Time: 04/10/2025 11:34 AM

Item	Title	Count
1	Z01	1
EIR: Exempt or Previously Paid		
Document ID	Amount	
Doc# 202585000295	\$50.00	
Time Recorded 11:34 AM		

Total Amount Due: \$50.00

Total Paid

Credit Card Tendered: \$50.00  
#07174C

Amount Due: \$0.00

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