

Notice of Exemption

21-2025-026

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): Ross Valley Sanitary District
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County of: Marin

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San Rafael, CA 94903

(Address)

Project Title: Emergency Rehabilitation/repair at 125-137 Hillside Avenue in Kentfield

Project Applicant: Ross Valley Sanitary District

Project Location - Specific:

See attached project description and figure.

Project Location - City: Kentfield

Project Location - County: Marin

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Project provides emergency rehabilitation/repair of existing storm-damaged sewer main and lower laterals at 125-137 Hillside Avenue in Kentfield, CA. See attached project description an figure.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Ross Valley Sanitary District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Ross Valley Sanitary District

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:

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SHELLY SCOTT
MARIN COUNTY CLERK
Deputy
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Reasons why project is exempt:

The Project consists of the emergency rehabilitation/repair of existing storm-damaged sewer main and lower laterals necessary to maintain sewer service essential to the public health, safety or welfare of residents . [Section 15629(b)]. It consists of replacement and/or reconstruction of the existing utility systems involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Philip Benedetti

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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: [Signature] Date: 2/24/25 Title: Senior Engineer

- Signed by Lead Agency
Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR:

POSTED 2/25/25 TO 3/27/25

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Project is located at 125-137 Hillside Avenue in Kentfield, California (see Figure 1). Emergency rehabilitation/repair is needed to restore sewer service to two residences in Kentfield after a tree fell during a storm that occurred on February 4, 2025 and its uprooting demolished the sewer main, rodhole, and two attached private sewer laterals. Regular sewer service was interrupted at residences 237 Hillside Ave. and 230 Hillside Ave., and temporary service established. One other residence is affected by this damaged sewer main at 125 Hillside Ave., where part of the sewer main easement and a private lateral connection are located.

The sewer main and rodhole would be replaced (see Figure 1). The sewer main is approximately 180 feet long, and begins at rodhole no. R532.090, which was dislodged by the fallen tree. This sewer main line is a high frequency cleaning (HFC) line and therefore a priority candidate for replacement to conserve Operations & Maintenance personnel resources. The sewer main would be replaced in its same horizontal alignment via pipe bursting in an easement on 125 and 137 Hillside Ave., including re-connecting the private lateral from 125 Hillside Ave., terminating at the shallow manhole no. R532.030 on Hillside Avenue.

**Figure 1.** Emergency Rehabilitation/repair at 125-137 Hillside Avenue in Kentfield

