

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**

**FROM: Department of Public Works – Transportation Division**  
(Lead Department/Division)

Based on a preliminary review of the project the following activity is determined to be exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA.

**APN(s):** N/A      **Case No.:** N/A

**LOCATION:** 105 East Anapamu Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Board of Supervisors Hearing Room

**PROJECT TITLE: California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment Report; All Districts**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The project consists of a request by the Chair to approve, authorize and adopt a resolution supporting the findings of the California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment and urge the State to identify a sufficient and stable funding source for local street, road maintenance and rehabilitation. The results of the 2012 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment show a steady downward trend in the pavement condition since 2008. The majority of California's counties now have an average pavement condition rating that is considered "at risk". Projections indicate that, in 10 years, 25 percent of California's streets and roads will be in the "failed" category. This report shows that there is a funding shortfall of more than \$82 billion over the next 10 years to bring the system up-to-date. The current funding level for the local system is \$2.5 billion a year, maintaining the status quo for pavements will require an investment of an additional \$1.9 billion a year. This exemption considers all further administrative activities for this none project.

**EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)**

- ☐ Ministerial
- ☐ Statutory
- ☒ X Categorical Exemption [Sec. 15378(b, 2)]
- ☐ Emergency Project
- ☐ No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061(b, 3)]

**Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section:** Section 15378 project means the whole of an action, which has the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect change, and that is any of the following: (b), Project does not include: (2) Continuing administrative or maintenance activities, such as purchases for supplies, personal-related actions, general policy and procedure making...

**Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary):**

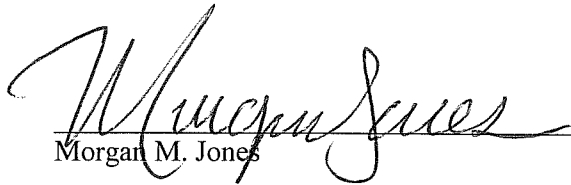
The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors is the responsible agency to approve, authorize and adopt a resolution supporting the findings California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment Report. The request to approve, authorize and adopt the Resolution is not a project by definition. The term project refers to the activity which is being approved and which may be subject to several discretionary approvals by governmental agencies. The term project does not mean each separate governmental approval. Further, the request to approve, authorize and adopt the Resolution will not create any unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect.

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Acceptance Date: **April 2, 2013**

Distribution: Hearing Support Staff for posting

  
Morgan M. Jones

March 18, 2013  
Date

**NOTE:** A copy of this document must be posted with the County's Planning & Development Department at least 6 days prior to consideration of the activity by the decision-makers to comply with County CEQA guidelines and a copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval to begin a 35 day statute of limitations on legal challenges.

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Date filed with Planning & Development

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