

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

**FROM:** General Services/Facilities

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** N/A

**PROJECT TITLE** 2014 Sustainability Action Plan and Zero Net Energy Resolution

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION** To prepare for federal climate legislation that is potentially emerging, the County has prepared the updated Sustainability Action Plan and adopted the Zero Net Energy Resolution

## EXEMPT STATUS :( Check One)

☐ Ministerial

☐ Statutory

☒ x Categorical Exemption (Not a Project)

☐ Emergency Project

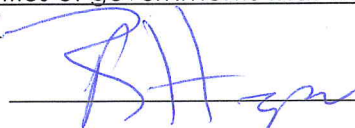
☐ No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061 (b,3)].

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section CEQA Guidelines §15378(b)(5)

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

Approving the 2014 Sustainability Action Plan and Zero Net Energy Resolution will not in any substantive manner result in any direct or indirect physical manner change the environment or cause any significant environmental effects. The plan and the Resolution involve administrative activities of the government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5) exempts activities from CEQA "Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment."

Department/Division Representative



Date

**NOTE:** A copy must be posted DERC 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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