

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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## Agenda Number:

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**Department Name:** Planning & Development  
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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Dianne Meester, Interim Director  
Planning and Development

**STAFF CONTACT:** Alan Hanson, Planner, 568-2854

**SUBJECT:** **Informational Report:** El Capitan Canyon Ranch Replacement Sewage Disposal System Emergency Permit 02EMP-00000-00010 issued on March 17, 2003

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## Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Accept the informational report regarding the El Capitan Canyon Ranch Replacement Sewage Disposal System Emergency Permit 02EMP-00000-00010 issued on March 17, 2003.

## Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with actions required by law or by routine business necessity.

## Executive Summary & Discussion:

Article II, Chapter 35 (Coastal Zoning Ordinance or CZO) and Article III, Chapter 35 (Inland Zoning Ordinance or IZO) of the County Code requires that the Board of Supervisors be informed of the issuance of an emergency permit at its next regularly scheduled meeting. This report satisfies this requirement for the emergency permit (copy attached) issued by the Interim Director of Planning & Development on March 17, 2003.

The project site is located at the El Capitan Canyon Ranch campground on the Gaviota Coast immediately north of El Capitan Beach State Park. One of the sewage disposal fields serving the campground has failed. Additionally, the Santa Barbara County Environmental Health Services Office (EHS) and the California Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) have directed the property owner to redirect the disposal of all sewage effluent from the existing disposal fields within the El Capitan Creek canyon floor to new disposal fields on the coastal terrace to the east of the creek corridor. The proposed emergency work involves the removal/abandonment-in-place of existing sewage disposal facilities with new sewage effluent conveyance lines, septic tanks, and a pressurized system to pump sewage effluent from all existing sanitary sewer sources onsite to the proposed disposal field per the directions of EHS and the RWQCB.

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

Pursuant to Article II, Chapter 35 (Coastal Zoning Ordinance) and Article III, Chapter 35 (Inland Zoning Ordinance), the Board of Supervisors are required to be informed of the issuance of an emergency permit at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Applicant to pay cost of processing for the application. No facilities impacts.

**Special Instructions:**

Clerk of the Board shall forward copies of the Minute Order to Planning & Development, Hearing Support Section, Attn: Cintia Mendoza.

**Concurrence:** County Counsel

**Attachments:** Emergency Permit 02EMP-00000-00010

