

# **Attachment 3**

## **CEQA Notice of Exemption**



# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

(Note: The specific requirements of an NOE can be found at CEQA § 15062)

Date  
Case Number  
**No Case Number**  
Dept/Div/Year/Project#/NOE#

**TO: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors**  
**FROM LEAD AGENCY: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Clerk of the Board-Filing Date

Staff Contact: **Tully Wyatt**

Division: **Capital, Energy and Facilities**

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City: **Santa Barbara**

State: **CA**

Zip: **93101**

## PROJECT INFORMATION:

Does this project involve a state/federal agency?  Yes  No

Project Name: **SBCo Emergency Operations and Regional Fire Communications Center** District: **Second Supervisorial District**

Address: **4400 Cathedral Oaks Road**

City/Area: **Goleta**

Zip Code: **93110**

APN: **059-120-003**

Project #: **19005**

NOE #: **2**

Funding/POPPA: **0030/063/8200/1930/19005**

Project Description: (Section §15124 of the CEQA Guidelines defines the types of information that should be included in a project description)

This project (previously titled the Regional Fire Communication Facility) will expand the existing Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to co-locate a Regional Fire Dispatch Center of less than 10,000 square feet, provide more space for EOC operational functions during activation and remodel the existing EOC lobby for office support space. The existing site is located within an urbanized area of government facilities and surrounding low density residential uses. The project site has been developed and modified over many decades with County Fire Department Headquarters, County School Administration functions, and a small school located adjacent to the County School Administration complex for students with special needs. The existing EOC parking area where the proposed project is to be located will be relocated west of the EOC in an area reserved for this purpose.

The expanded building will look like the existing EOC and include PV panels to support the higher power needs of the building.

There are no identified or mapped environmental sensitive areas on the site. Drainage will not be altered from its current alignment. Additional rain water retention capacity will be designed as part of the existing system.

## DETERMINATION: Make determination after review of CEQA §15061

### Scope of Exemption:

- Not a Project (§15378)
- Ministerial Exemption (§15268)
- Statutory Exemption (§15260)
- Categorical Exemption (§15354 [15302-33])
- CatEx - Existing Facilities (§15301[a-p])
- Emergency Project Exemption (§15359)

Categorical Exemptions are made up of classes of projects that generally are considered not to have potential impacts on the environment. Categorical exemptions are identified and defined in the CEQA Guidelines (14 CCR Section 15300-15331). Categorical exemptions are not allowed to be used for projects that may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an historical resource, except when the Department of the Interior Standards are applied. Therefore, lead agencies must first determine if the project has the potential to impact historical resources and if those impacts could be adverse prior to determining if a categorical exemption may be utilized for any given project.

Cal. Code Regs. tit. 14 §15300

Justification for the Determination: **15301(e) Existing Facilities~Additions or Expansions**

## FINDING TO SUPPORT DETERMINATION:

Based upon the project description above, the General Services Department (as Lead Agency) has determined the project (SBCo Emergency Operations and Regional Fire Communications Center) is within the scope of §15301 exemptions which consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of use under subsection (e) additions to existing structures provided that the addition will not result in an increase of more than: (1) 50 percent of the floor area of the structures before the addition, or 2,500 square feet, whichever is less; or as applicable to this project (2) 10,000 square feet if: (A) The project is in an area where all public services and facilities are available to allow for maximum development permissible in the General Plan and (B) The area in which the project is located is not environmentally sensitive. This project meets the determination per section 15301(e)(2) and the requirements of 15301(e)(2)(A) and (B) are met.

Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, §15301(e)

Additional applicable Categorical Exempt sections that may apply are §15302 and §15303.

CEQA Exceptions 15300.2: None of the exceptions apply to this project, A) there are no significant cumulative impacts, B) there are no significant unavoidable impacts, C) no scenic highway is impacted, D) there are no hazardous waste sites involved, and E) there are no known historic resources involved.

Justification to Finding: The project does not include Federal Funding, is located on an urban site with substantial ground disturbance and under the square footage threshold of 10,000sf as allowed in Section 15301(e). There are no exceptions.

Department/Division Representative

**Tully Wyatt**

(print name: **Tully Wyatt**)

Digitally signed by Tully Wyatt  
Date: 2022.04.11 14:40:54 -0700

Date **6/7/22**

Distribution: **Clerk of the Board File, Public Notice Board, and Project File**

NOTE: A copy must be posted 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.



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2021 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/21) Previously DFG 753.5a

**Print**    **StartOver**    **Save**

RECEIPT NUMBER:  
 42 — 07142021 — 169  
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY General Services Dept, County of Santa Barbara	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL twyatt@co.santa-barbara.ca.us	DATE 07142021
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING Santa Barbara		DOCUMENT NUMBER

PROJECT TITLE

NOE - Regional Fire Communication Facility (RFCF) Project - Award Professional Services Agreement for Design

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME Tully Wyatt	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL twyatt@co.santa-barbara.ca.us	PHONE NUMBER (805) 440-2278
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 1105 Santa Barbara St, 2nd Floor	CITY Santa Barbara	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 93101

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

- Local Public Agency   
  School District   
  Other Special District   
  State Agency   
  Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

- |   |            |    |      |
|---|------------|----|------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)  | \$3,445.25 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)                                   | \$2,480.25 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW | \$1,171.25 | \$ | 0.00 |

- Exempt from fee  
 Notice of Exemption (attach)  
 CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)  
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

- |   |          |    |       |
|---|----------|----|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) | \$850.00 | \$ | 0.00  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee   |          | \$ | 50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other  |          | \$ |       |

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Cash   
  Credit   
  Check   
  Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Angelica Ramirez, Deputy Clerk
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**NOTICE**

Each project applicant shall remit to the county clerk the environmental filing fee before or at the time of filing a Notice of Determination (Pub. Resources Code, § 21152; Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subdivision (d); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5). Without the appropriate fee, statutory or categorical exemption, or a valid No Effect Determination issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the Notice of Determination is not operative, vested, or final, and shall not be accepted by the county clerk.

**COUNTY DOCUMENTARY HANDLING FEE**

The county clerk may charge a documentary handling fee of fifty dollars (\$50) per filing in addition to the environmental filing fee (Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subd. (e); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5, subd. (g)(1)). A county board of supervisors shall have the authority to increase or decrease the fee or charge, that is otherwise authorized to be levied by another provision of law, in the amount reasonably necessary to recover the cost of providing any product or service or the cost of enforcing any regulation for which the fee or charge is levied (Gov. Code, § 54985, subd. (a)).

**COLLECTION PROCEDURES FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS**

**Filing Notice of Determination (NOD):**

- Collect environmental filing fee or copy of previously issued cash receipt. *(Do not collect fee if project applicant presents a No Effect Determination signed by CDFW. An additional fee is required for each separate environmental document. An addendum is not considered a separate environmental document. Checks should be made payable to the county.)*
- Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
- Attach copy of cash receipt and, if applicable, previously issued cash receipt, to NOD.
- Mail filing fees for CRP document to CDFW prior to filing the NOD or equivalent final approval (Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, § 753.5 (b)(5)). The CRP should request receipt from CDFW to show proof of payment for filing the NOD or equivalent approval. Please mail payment to address below made attention to the Cash Receipts Unit of the Accounting Services Branch.

If the project applicant presents a **No Effect Determination** signed by CDFW, also:

- Attach No Effect Determination to NOD *(no environmental filing fee is due).*

**Filing Notice of Exemption (NOE) (Statutorily or categorically exempt project (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15260-15285, 15300-15333))**

- Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
- Attach copy of cash receipt to NOE *(no environmental filing fee is due).*

Within 30 days after the end of each month in which the environmental filing fees are collected, each county shall summarize and record the amount collected on the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31) and remit the amount collected to the State Treasurer. Identify the remittance on Form No. CA25 as "Environmental Document Filing Fees" per Fish and Game Code section 711.4.

**The county clerk shall mail the following documents to CDFW on a monthly basis:**

- ✓ A photocopy of the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31)
- ✓ CDFW/ASB copies of all cash receipts (including all voided receipts)
- ✓ A copy of all CDFW No Effect Determinations filed in lieu of fee payment
- ✓ A copy of all NODs filed with the county during the preceding month
- ✓ A list of the name, address and telephone number of all project applicants for which an NOD has been filed. If this information is contained on the cash receipt filed with CDFW under California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 753.5, subdivision (e)(6), no additional information is required.

**DOCUMENT RETENTION**

The county shall retain two copies of the cash receipt (for lead agency and county clerk) and a copy of all documents described above for at least 12 months.

**RECEIPT NUMBER**

- # The first two digits automatically populate by making the appropriate selection in the County/State Agency of Filing drop down menu.
- # The next eight digits automatically populate when a date is entered.
- # The last three digits correspond with the sequential order of issuance for each calendar year. For example, the first receipt number issued on January 1 should end in 001. If a county issued 252 receipts for the year ending on December 31, the last receipt number should end in 252. CDFW recommends that counties and state agencies 1) save a local copy of this form, and 2) track receipt numbers on a spreadsheet tabbed by month to ensure accuracy.

**DO NOT COMBINE THE ENVIRONMENTAL FEES WITH THE STATE SHARE OF FISH AND WILDLIFE FEES.**

**Mail to:**

California Department of Fish and Wildlife  
 Accounting Services Branch  
 P.O. Box 944209  
 Sacramento, California 94244-2090



# CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

County of Santa Barbara - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

105 E. Anapamu St. Room 407 • Santa Barbara • CA • 93101

Complete this form when filing a Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, Environmental Impact Report or Notice of Exemption.

You will need to submit one original for posting plus one copy for the Department of Fish & Wildlife. A scanned copy including the date/time of posting will be emailed to the Lead Agency and Project Applicant. If you would like a return copy, please submit an extra copy along with a pre-addressed, stamped envelope.

Contact Person <b>Tully Wyatt</b>		Phone <b>805-440-2278</b>	
Lead Agency <b>General Services Dept, County of Santa Barbara</b>		Lead Agency Email <b>twyatt@co.santa-barbara.ca.us</b>	
Project Title Regional Fire Communication Facility (RFCF) Project- Award Professional Services Agreement (PSA) for Design; First District Project No. 19005			
Project Applicant <b>Tully Wyatt</b>	Email <b>twyatt@co.santa-barbara.ca.us</b>	Phone <b>805-440-2278</b>	
Project Applicant Address <b>1105 E Santa Barbara, 2nd Flr</b>	City <b>Santa Barbara</b>	State <b>CA</b>	Zip <b>93101</b>

**DOCUMENT BEING FILED:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR) .....	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2018 Filing Fee .....	\$3,168.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Previously Paid ( <b>must attach receipt</b> ) .....	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect Determination ( <b>must be attached</b> ) .....	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration .....	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2018 Filing Fee .....	\$2,280.75
<input type="checkbox"/> Previously Paid ( <b>must attach receipt</b> ) .....	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect Determination ( <b>must be attached</b> ) .....	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption .....	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Administrative Handling Fee ( <b>required for all filings</b> ) .....	\$50.00

RECEIVED  
 2021 JUN 11  
 COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA  
 CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TOTAL: **\$ 50.00**

**PAYMENT METHOD: ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING**

Cash     
  Check # \_\_\_\_\_     
  Journal Entry #     
 JE - 0220990

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

RECEIVED

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

2021 JUN 14 A 9:11

**FROM: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, LEAD AGENCY**

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA  
Clerk of the Board-Filing Date  
CLERK OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Based on a review of the project and project description, the following activity is determined as indicated below. Specific findings are indicated below and environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA are included, if applicable.

**APN(s)** (or N/A): 059-120-004

**Case No.** GSD-071321-19005-0001

(current date, project# and NOE number for this project)

**LOCATION**(city/unincorporated area/NA): Emergency Operations Center (EOC)

**PROJECT TITLE:** Regional Fire Communication Facility – Design Services

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION :** This proposed project includes investigation, feasibility, and design studies and services for a potential new Regional Fire Communication Facility located on County owned property at the Emergency Operations Center on Cathedral Oaks Road. The possible future project is in the beginning stages of design and further investigation (soils, environmental, archeological, survey) will be performed as part of the design process to understand the environmental impacts and requirements for a future construction project.

### **DETERMINATION:**

**NOT A PROJECT** (§15378): A *project* as defined by CEQA is one in which the whole of the action has a potential for resulting in either a direct or indirect physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. The action described above has been determined by the Lead Agency to not be a Project under CEQA. No further environmental review is required.

### **EXEMPT STATUS:** (Check Only One)

- Ministerial (§15369)
  - Statutory (§15262)
  - Categorical Exemption (§15354)
  - Emergency Project (§15359)
- Cite specific CEQA Guideline Sub-Section(s) §15301(c)

### **FINDINGS TO SUPPORT DETERMINATION:**

This project consists of investigative, design considerations, and design services for the needs for the new Regional Fire Communication Facility building. These activities consist of feasibility or planning studies for a possible future project that has not yet been approved, adopted or funded.

**DISTRIBUTION:** File, Clerk of the Board

DocuSigned by:  
*Robert Ooley*  
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6/25/2021 | 3:36 PM PDT

Robert Ooley, FAIA County Architect  
Department/Division Representative (print & sign name)

Date

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## Ooley, Robert

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**From:** Dellinger, Charles A. <cadellinger@rrmdesign.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 29, 2022 3:04 PM  
**To:** Ooley, Robert  
**Cc:** Tully Wyatt (twyatt@kitchell.com); Wyatt, Tully; Cook, Paige A.  
**Subject:** SB County Dispatch/EOC Expansion

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Robert,

Here is the information you requested for the CEQA review.

1. A detailed project description....or program statement.
  - a. Construction of a new co-located emergency operations and regional fire communications center attached to the county's existing emergency operations center. Work includes but is not limited to: grading and utility infrastructure, concrete foundations, wood and steel framing, exterior finishes, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems. This project is pursuing LEED Gold, ILFI ZNE, and ILFI ZNC.
2. Square Footage of new, existing, and remodeled area
  - a. New: 9,554 sf
  - b. Existing: 11,154 sf
  - c. Remodeled: 373 sf
3. Number of existing parking spaces, lost parking spaces and replacement parking space and where on the site this is happening.
  - a. Existing: 61 (includes 4 ADA)
    - i. Parking along the south side of the existing building
    - ii. Lot to the west of the existing building
    - iii. Parking in DG across from the building parking
  - b. Removed: 24 (includes 2 ADA)
    - i. Lot to the west of the existing building
  - c. New: 69 (includes 2 ADA and overflow by street)
    - i. Restriped area in front of the existing building
    - ii. Open area to the east of the existing building
    - iii. Overflow parking near Cathedral Oaks
  - d. **Total Parking: 106 (includes 4 ADA)**



### CHARLES DELLINGER

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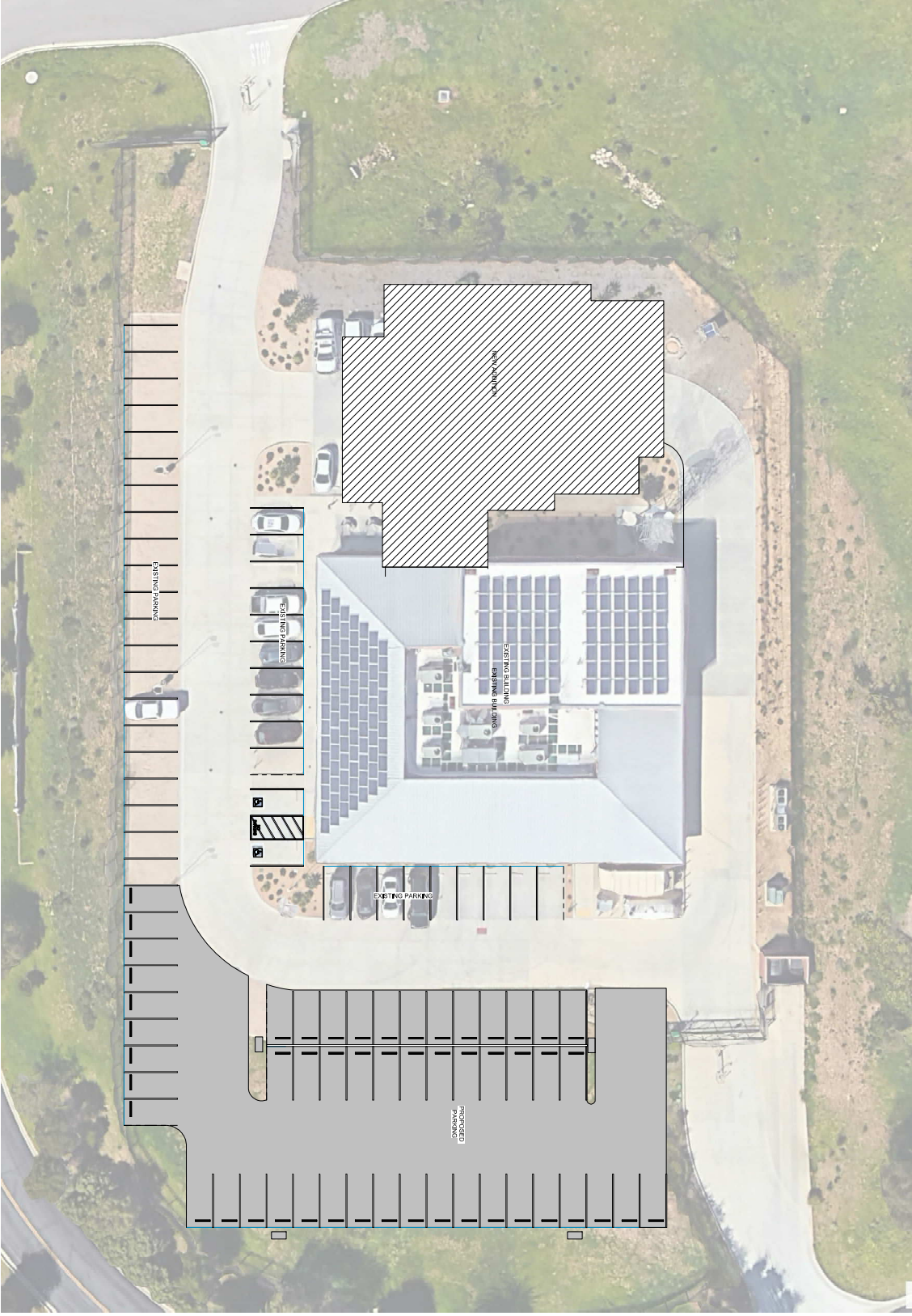
PARKING COUNT	
EXISTING	42
PROPOSED	51
OVERFLOW	34

1" = 40'-0"



**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY DISPATCH CENTER - OEM OPTION**  
 SITE PLAN  
 2019-08-30





PARKING COUNT	
EXISTING	42
PROPOSED	51
OVERFLOW	14

1/16" = 1'-0"

SITE PLAN

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY DISPATCH CENTER - OEM OPTION

2019-08-30



SANTA BARBARA COUNTY DISPATCH CENTER - OEM OPTION

1/8" = 1'-0"  
 FLOOR PLAN  
 2019-08-30

