

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services (Lead Department/Division)

Based on a preliminary review of the project the following activity is determined to be *not a project* or exempt (see below) 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. _____

LOCATION: N/A _____

ACTION TITLE: Audit Reports for the Northern Branch Jail Projects _____

DESCRIPTION OF ACTION TO BE TAKEN: _____

Receive and file Northern Branch Jail project audit reports for periods ending June 30, 2014 and June 31, 2015

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.

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: §15378 (b)5, routine administrative action not affecting changes to the physical environment.

EXEMPT STATUS:(Check One)

- Ministerial (§15369)
- Statutory (§15260)
- Categorical Exemption (§15354)
- Emergency Project (§15359)
- No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061 (b,3)].

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section _____

FINDINGS TO SUPPORT DETERMINATION: (attach additional material, if necessary):

Determine that acceptance of the annual report is not a "project" as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), as it is an administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment

Rain Z Mills _____ 4/21/16
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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