

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: County Executive Office
(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.

LOCATION: 105 East Anapamu Street, 4th Floor Board of Supervisors Hearing Room

PROJECT TITLE: Authorized Agents for County During Disasters; All Supervisorial Districts.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) requires that local jurisdictions that have disaster, response and recovery transactions with CalOES provide CalOES a list of "Authorized Agents." These Authorized Agents may take any actions necessary to obtain federal financial assistance under Public Law 93-288 as amended by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988, and/or state financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act.

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect
- Not a Project [Sec. 15378(b)(4)]

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:(4) The creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

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

This action provides CalOES with a current list of Authorized Agents. The California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) requires that local jurisdictions that have disaster, response and recovery transactions with CalOES provide CalOES a list of "Authorized Agents." These Authorized Agents may take any actions necessary to obtain federal financial assistance under Public Law 93-288 as amended by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988, and/or state financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act. No specific work or project is presently associated with this action.

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Acceptance Date: **March 15, 2016**

Distribution: Hearing Support Staff for posting



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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.

Distribution:

Date filed with Planning & Development

Date filed with Clerk of Board