



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Date 12/04/2025

Case Number

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

Staff Contact: Steve Fernandes

Phone: (805) 896-2263

Fax:

Address: 912 W, Foster Road

Division: Captial, Energy and Facilities

Email: stevef@countyofsb.org

City: Santa Maria

State: CA Zip: 93455

PROJECT INFORMATION:

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

Project Name: Santa Barbara Casa Nueva HVAC/BAS Upgrade

District: Third Supervisorial District

Address: 260 N. San Antonio Road

City/Area: Santa Barbara

Zip Code: 93110

APN: 059-140-029

Project #: 23019

NOE #: 001 Funding/POPPA: 0030/063/8200/1930

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

This item is before the Board for approval and award of a General Construction Contract to Mesa Energy Systems, Inc. (Mesa Energy) in the amount of \$849,797 for the replacement of nineteen (19) Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) units and Building Automation System (BAS) controls with new energy efficient air-sourced heat pump units and the County's standardized Building Energy Management System (BEMS) controls.

DETERMINATION: (select category)

- Not a Project (§15378)
- Ministerial Exemption (§15268)
- Statutory Exemption (§15260)
- Categorical Exemption (§15354 [15302-33])
 - CatEx - Existing Facilities (§15300)
 - Emergency Project Exemption (§15359)

Scope of Exemption:

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

PRIMARY reason for the Determination: Please select the reason from list...

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

Department/Division
Representative

Brandon Kaysen

(print name: Brandon Kaysen

Digitally signed by Brandon Kaysen
Date: 2025.12.03 15:01:00 -08'00'

) Date 12/3/25

DISTRIBUTION:

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.



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2024 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

County of Santa Barbara - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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

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

A scanned copy of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Receipt, Transmittal Memorandum and the CEQA filing 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 Steve Fernandes		Phone 805-896-2263	
Lead Agency General Services Department (County of Santa Barbara)		Lead Agency Email countyarchitect@countyofsb.org	
Project Title Santa Barbara Casa Nueva HVAC/BAS Upgrade			
Project Applicant Steve Fernandes	Email stevef@countyofsb.org	Phone 805-896-2263	
Project Applicant Address 260 N. San Antonio Rd.	City Santa Barbara	State CA	Zip 93110

DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- Notice of Determination - Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
 - 2024 Filing Fee\$4,051.25
 - Previously Paid (must attach receipt) \$0.00
 - No Effect Determination (must be attached)..... \$0.00

Environmental Filing Fees will be collected *only* for projects that are approved. The Applicant must attest to the following:

- This project has been approved. Date of Approval: Click or tap to enter a date.

- Notice of Determination - Negative Declaration (ND) or Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND).....
 - 2024 Filing Fee \$2,916.75
 - Previously Paid (must attach receipt) \$0.00
 - No Effect Determination (must be attached)..... \$0.00

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- Notice of Exemption.....\$0.00

- County Administrative Handling Fee (required for all filings, effective 7/19/18)\$50.00

TOTAL: \$ 50.00

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

- Cash
- Credit
In person only
- Check # _____
- Journal Entry # 1070726
In FIN send to 'COB CEQA' in CEO Dept



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
 42 — 12/17/2025 — 245
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY County of Santa Barbara General Services Department	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL stevef@countyofsb.org	DATE 12/17/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING Santa Barbara		DOCUMENT NUMBER

PROJECT TITLE

Santa Barbara Casa Nueva HVAC/BAS Upgrade

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME Steve Fernandes	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL stevef@countyofsb.org	PHONE NUMBER (805) 896-2263
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 260 N. San Antonio Rd.	CITY Santa Barbara	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 93110

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

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

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR) | \$4,123.50 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) | \$2,968.75 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW | \$1,401.75 | \$ | 0.00 |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy) | | | |
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| <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 | | \$ | |

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- Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other
 TOTAL RECEIVED
 \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE X	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Katherine Douglas, Deputy Clerk
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