

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION****TO:** Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**FROM:** Community Services Department

The project or activity identified below 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.

**APN(s):** 103-630-008**Case No.:** N/A**Location:** 217 Rice Ranch Road, Orcutt, CA**Project Title:** Re-Sale of 217 Rice Ranch Road

**Project Description:** The Housing and Community Development Division (HCD) on behalf of the County of Santa Barbara exercised the right of first refusal with the purchase of the property located at 217 Rice Ranch Road. As the current owner of record, HCD intends to resell the home to a qualified affordable housing applicant. The home is designated as a Lower-Moderate Income (80-100% of the Area Median Income) category unit. The purchaser of the affordable unit will enter into a Resale Restrictive Covenant that expires on or about August 9, 2024 and Preemptive Right Secured by Deed of Trust, a Notice of Ordinance and a Request for Notice of Default. These documents, once recorded, will help ensure retention of the affordable unit.

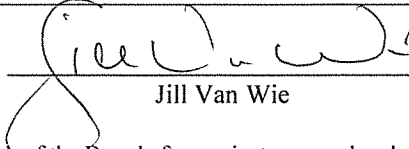
**Exempt Status:** (Check one) No Possibility of Significant Effect [§15061(b,3)]

**Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section:** 15061(b)(3); this activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, and where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.

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

The proposed resale of a County real property is a government administrative action related to the requirements for housing affordability. Therefore, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this project may have a significant effect on the environment and is not subject to CEQA.

Department/Division Representative



Jill Van Wie

Date October 14, 2015

Note: A copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days.

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