

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services/Community Services Departments

Based on a preliminary review of the proposed action, the following activity is determined to be exempt from the 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) 071-200-017 and 071-200-009

LOCATION: Goleta Beach County Park, 5986 Sandspit Road, Goleta 93117, Second Supervisorial District

PROJECT TITLE: Replacement Lease with California State Lands Commission at Goleta Beach County Park

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Execution of this replacement Lease with the California State Lands Commission will allow the County's continued use and maintenance of certain state lands that comprise part of Goleta Beach County Park, including an existing public recreational pier, public facilities, and protective structures; and provide for a bridge replacement project including the demolition of the existing vehicular access bridge and the construction, use, and maintenance of a new vehicular access bridge to serve the Park. The term of the Lease will be for a period of twenty (20) years commencing July 1, 2015, and ending on June 30, 2035.

EXEMPT STATUS: Statutory

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: California Public Resources Code section 21080.5; CEQA Guidelines sections 15002 (l) and 15251 (c)

Reasons to support exemption findings: Although the Coastal Commission previously certified a Local Coastal Program for Santa Barbara County, the majority of the bridge replacement project is within an area where the Coastal Commission has retained jurisdiction over the issuance of coastal development permits. In this case, the County and the Coastal Commission agreed on a consolidated jurisdictional process to review the Coastal Development Permits required by this project. Pursuant to Section 30601.3(b) of the Coastal Act, the standard of review for this project is found in the Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act (commencing with Public Resources Code section 30200), with the County of Santa Barbara's certified Local Coastal Program used as guidance. Section 13096(a) of the Commission's administrative regulations requires Commission approval of a Coastal Development Permit application to be supported by a finding showing the application, as conditioned by any conditions of approval, is consistent with any applicable requirements of CEQA. Feasible mitigation measures adopted to minimize all adverse environmental effects of the project were required by the Commission as special conditions. The Commission found no feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures available, beyond those required, which would substantially lessen any significant adverse impact that the project may have on the environment, and that the project is consistent with the requirements of the Coastal Act, in accordance with CEQA Guidelines.

  
Department/Division Representative

  
Date

NOTE: A copy of this document must be posted with the County's Planning and Development Department at least 6 days prior to consideration of the activity by the decision-makers, and a copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval.

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