

Attachment C
CEQA Exemption

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Steve Oaks, Fire Marshal

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: n/a **Case No.:** n/a

Location: Santa Barbara County Fire Protection District

Project Title: Amending Chapter 15 of the Santa Barbara County Code with the Adoption of the 2016 California Fire Code

Project Applicant: Santa Barbara County Fire Department

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Santa Barbara County Fire Department

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency
- No Possibility of Significant Effect (CEQA Section 15061(b)(3))

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: CEQA Section 15061(b)(3) states that “the 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. 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: The proposed ordinance amendments address the regulation of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations Part 9, commonly known as the 2016 California Fire Code. This ordinance incorporates by adoption the 2015 International Fire Code with necessary California and local amendments. The California Fire Code will go into effect statewide on January 1st, 2017 by operation of law and will have no environmental impact.

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