

ATTACHMENT D

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Dennis Bozanich, Assistant to the County Executive Officer

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: Unincorporated area of the County

Project Title: Proposed Ordinance Enacting a Business License Tax on the Business of Producing Oil and Resolution to Place Ordinance on the Ballot

Project Description:

Ordinance enacting Chapter 22 Article VI of the Santa Barbara County Code imposing a business license tax on the business of producing oil, and Resolution proposing to impose a business license tax on the business of producing oil, submitting the proposed ordinance and ballot language to the electorate for approval, and requesting and ordering consolidation with the June 3, 2014 general election. Direct the Clerk of the Board to forward the Board-initiated ordinance to County Counsel for the preparation of an impartial analysis. Receive and consider a report from staff regarding a possible business license tax on the business of producing oil in the unincorporated area of the County. The Board may appoint member(s) of the Board of Supervisors to author, sign and submit on behalf of the Board an argument in favor of the business license tax ballot measure and any rebuttal.

The proposed ordinance states that prior to commencement of any project that may result from the expenditure of revenues from this tax, any necessary environmental review required by CEQA shall be completed.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: County of Santa Barbara

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- ☐ Ministerial
- ☒ Statutory Exemption (Not a project)
- ☐ Categorical Exemption
- ☐ Emergency Project
- ☐ Declared Emergency

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Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: Section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Reasons to support exemption findings: The actions are not a project under CEQA pursuant to Section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines because they consist of the creation of government funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment. The proposed ordinance states that prior to commencement of any project that may result from the expenditure of revenues from this tax, any necessary environmental review required by CEQA shall be completed.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Dennis Bozanich

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Department/Division Representative: *Dennis Bozanich*

Date: 1-15-2014

Acceptance Date: _____

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Project file (when P&D permit is required)

Date Filed by County Clerk: _____.

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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