## 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): N/A Case No.: N/A
Location: Countywide
Project Title: Federal Funding Programs Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2015 Annual Action Plan and Citizens Participation Plan Revisions
<b>Project Description:</b> The draft FY 2014-2015 Annual Action Plan represents the County's federal grant application to HUD for the 2014-15 program year. As the lead agency for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Urban County Partnership, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Santa Barbara County HOME Consortium, the County is responsible for preparing and submitting the Action Plan annually on behalf of these partnerships. The County's 2014 Citizen Participation Plan replaces the 2007 plan and requires the draft FY2014-15 Annual Action Plan to undergo a 30-day public review period prior to submission of the Annual Action Plan to HUD.
Exempt Status: (Check one)  Ministerial Statutory Categorical Exemption Emergency Project No Possibility of Significant Effect [§15061(b,3)] Other
Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15378(b)(4); The creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project are not a project as defined by CEQA.
Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary):
These documents seek federal approval for funding for various projects and programs. Approval of the documents does not result in direct physical impacts to the environment. When individual projects and programs contained within these documents proceed to implementation, they may be subject to environmental review under NEPA and/or CEQA for the possible impacts which are unique to that particular project and/or program.
Department/Division Representative Jill Van Wie Date: February 11, 2014
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.
Copies to: Community Services Department, Parks Division

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