

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department of Public Works/Engineering Division
(Lead Department/Division)

Based on a preliminary review of the project the following activity is determined to be exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970 (Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq.), as defined in the State CEQA Guidelines and County Revised CEQA Guidelines.

APN(s) *Varies*

Project No. 900900

LOCATION: On northeast side of Aldebaran Avenue from a point 140 feet northwest of the centerline of Mizar Place and the center line of Mizart Place. On the south side of Aldebaran Avenue from a point 50 feet east of the center line of Mizar Place to a point 140 feet west east of the center line of Mizar Place. On the south side of Aldebaran Avenue between a point 127 feet west of the centerline of Mizar Place and a point 50 feet east of the center lien of Mizar Place.

PROJECT TITLE: Removal of No Parking Zones on Aldebaran Avenue.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Public Works Department proposes to remove No Parking Zones on Aldebaran Avenue. Conditions have changed since the existing resolution was adopted and it is no longer necessary to retain a part or all of these no parking zones on Aldebaran Avenue.

EXEMPT STATUS:(Check One)

- Ministerial
 Statutory
 Categorical Exemption
 Emergency Project
 No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061 (b,3)].

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section 15301 (c) Existing Facilities – "...consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, including but not limited to:...(c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety), except where the activity will involve removal of a scenic resource including a stand of trees, a rock outcropping, or an historic building.

Reasons to support exemption findings: The project is a safety improvement and therefore is contemplated by the CEQA exemption under section 15301. Further, there are no unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect. The removal of a crosswalk eliminated the need for sight distance requirements which allows cars to park in areas where they were once restricted. The project is public safety activity designed to maintain a safe traveling condition of the highway facility as it was constructed.


Morgan M. Jones Department/Division Representative

June 11, 2010

Date

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 statue of limitations on legal challenges.

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