

**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:** 525 S. Russell Ave., Santa Maria

**Project Title:** Los Adobes de Maria III Apartments – Commitment of HOME and In-Lieu Funds

**Project Description:** Los Adobes de Maria III is the final phase of a three phase affordable rental housing complex in the City of Santa Maria which will provide thirty-four (34) two- and three-bedroom units of rental housing for farm workers and their families.

**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)

**Reasons to support exemption findings** (attach additional material, if necessary):

Approval of commitment of grant funding for this project does not result in direct physical impacts to the environment. When the project proceeds to implementation, it may be subject to environmental review under NEPA and/or CEQA by the subrecipient for the possible impacts which are unique to the project.

Department/Division Representative  Date: October 20, 2016  
Jill Van Wie

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.

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