

ATTACHMENT E

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Michael W. Dyer, County Fire Chief

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

(Include street address and cross street (if urbanized area) or attach specific location map)

Project Title: Call-When-Needed water dropping Helicopter Contract

Project Description: On call helicopter to serve County during periods of high fire risks.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara

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

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: 15061(b), (3), (No possibility of impact to the environment).

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

This funding provides additional firefighting capabilities during this time of extreme drought.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Eric Peterson

Phone #: 805.681.5500

Department/Division Representative: Eric Peterson

Date: August 19, 2014

Acceptance Date: _____

Note: A copy of this form must be posted 6 days prior to a decision on the project. Upon project approval, this form must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days to begin a thirty five day statute of limitations on legal challenges.

Date Filed by County Clerk