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Notice of Exemption

Construction Management Services

County Project No. 25116



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Dept/Div/Year/Project#/NOE#

TO: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
FROM LEAD AGENCY: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Clerk of the Board-Filing Date

Staff Contact: Ashton Ellis

Division: Captial, Energy and Facilities

Phone: (916) 718-6922

Fax:

Email: AEllis@countyofsb.org

Address: 260 North San Antonio Road

City: Santa Barbara

State: CA

Zip: 93110

PROJECT INFORMATION:

Does this project involve a state/federal agency? Yes No

Project Name: North County Crisis Residential Treatment Facilities Project

District: Fifth Supervisorial District

Address:

City/Area: Santa Maria

Zip Code: 93455

APN: 113-210-024

Project #: 25116

NOE #: 001

Funding/POPPA: 0030/063/8200/1930

Project Description: (Section §15124 of the CEQA Guidelines defines the types of information that should be included in a project description)

The Project will deliver a total of 32 new residential treatment beds within two (2) independent, standalone, 16-bed Crisis Residential Treatment facilities, designed to support stabilization, recovery, and transition through residential accommodations, treatment and support spaces, indoor community areas, and outdoor recreational amenities. The site, identified as Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 113-210-024, is located in Santa Maria, California, and will be developed to accommodate both on-site and off-site improvements necessary to support facilities operations.

The Construction Management firm will provide oversight and support throughout all project phases, including procurement of the Design-Build entity, design, pre-construction, Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) development, construction, project closeout, and post-construction activities.

DETERMINATION: (select category)

- Not a Project (§15378)
- Ministerial Exemption (§15268)
- Statutory Exemption (§15260)
- Categorical Exemption (§15354 [15302-33])
 - CatEx - Existing Facilities (§15300)
 - Emergency Project Exemption (§15359)

Scope of Exemption:

Not A Project §15378(b) means the whole of an action, which does not have a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, such as the following activities: (1) Proposals for legislation to be enacted by the State Legislature; (2) Continuing administrative or maintenance activities, such as purchases for supplies, personnel-related actions, general policy and procedure making (except as they are applied to specific instances covered above); (3) The submittal of proposals to a vote of the people of the state or of a particular community that does not involve a public agency sponsored initiative.; (4) The creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.; (5) Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Cal. Code Regs. tit. 14 § 15378

PRIMARY reason for the Determination:

15378(b5) Organizational or Administrative Actions

FINDING TO SUPPORT DETERMINATION: (attach additional material, only if necessary)

Based upon the project description above, the General Services Department (as Lead Agency) has determined the project (North County Crisis Residential Treatment Facilities Project) is within the scope of §15378 Not A Project. The project involves routine and regular government management activities covered by subsection (b5) organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, §15378(b5)

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Diana Estorga

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Department/Division Representative

(print name: Diana Estorga

) Date 7/7/26

DISTRIBUTION: Clerk of the Board File, Public Notice Board, Project File, and State Clearinghouse File

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.



2026 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

County of Santa Barbara - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

105 E. Anapamu St. Room 407 • Santa Barbara • CA • 93101

(805) 568-2240

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| Complete this form when filing a Notice of Determination (Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, Environmental Impact Report) or Notice of Exemption. A scanned copy of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Receipt, Transmittal Memorandum and the CEQA filing, including the date/time of posting will be emailed to the Lead Agency and Project Applicant. If you would like a return copy, please submit an extra copy along with a pre-addressed, stamped envelope. | | | |
| Contact Person Ashton Ellis | | Phone 916-718-6922 | |
| Lead Agency General Services Department (County of Santa Barbara) | | Lead Agency Email aellis@countyofsb.org | |
| Project Title North County Crisis Residential Treatment Facilities Project | | | |
| Project Applicant Ashton Ellis | Email aellis@countyofsb.org | Phone 916-718-6922 | |
| Address for Return After Posting Period 260 North San Antonio Road, 2nd Fl. Capital Projects | City Santa Barbara | State CA | Zip 93110 |

DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- Notice of Determination - Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
 - 2026 Filing Fee\$4,227.50
 - Previously Paid (**must attach receipt**) \$0.00
 - No Effect Determination (**must be attached**)..... \$0.00
 Environmental Filing Fees will be collected **only** for projects that are approved. The Applicant must attest to the following:
 - This project has been approved. Date of Approval:

- Notice of Determination - Negative Declaration (ND) or Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND).....
 - 2026 Filing Fee \$3,043.75
 - Previously Paid (**must attach receipt**) \$0.00
 - No Effect Determination (**must be attached**)..... \$0.00
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Notice of Exemption.....\$0.00

County Administrative Handling Fee (**required for all filings, effective 7/19/18**)\$50.00

TOTAL: **\$ 50.00**

PAYMENT METHOD: ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING

- Cash Credit Check # _____ Journal Entry # **JE-1085889**
- In person only Ensure Workday status reflects "Posted" prior to filing



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:
 01 — 07/07/2026 —
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

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| LEAD AGENCY General Services Department (County of Santa Barbara) | LEAD AGENCY EMAIL aellis@countyofsb.org | DATE 07/07/2026 |
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| COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING <input type="text" value="Select County/State Agency"/> | DOCUMENT NUMBER |
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PROJECT TITLE
North County Crisis Residential Treatment Facilities Project

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| PROJECT APPLICANT NAME County of Santa Barbara, General Services Department | PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL aellis@countyofsb.org | PHONE NUMBER (916) 718-6922 |
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| PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 260 North San Antonio Road, 2nd Fl. Capital Projects | CITY Santa Barbara | STATE CA | ZIP CODE 93110 |
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PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

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|---|------------|----|-------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR) | \$4,227.50 | \$ | <u>0.00</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) | \$3,043.75 | \$ | <u>0.00</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW | \$1,437.25 | \$ | <u>0.00</u> |

Exempt from fee
 Notice of Exemption (attach)
 CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) | \$850.00 | \$ | <u>0.00</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee | | \$ | <u> </u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | | \$ | <u> </u> |

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other
 TOTAL RECEIVED
 \$ 0.00

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| SIGNATURE X | DocuSigned by: <i>Diana Estorga</i> <small>48B17C63123D45B...</small> | AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Diana Estorga, Capital Division Chief |
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NOTICE

Each project applicant shall remit to the county clerk the environmental document filing fee before or at the time of filing a Notice of Determination (Pub. Resources Code, § 21152; Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subdivision (d); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5). Without the appropriate fee, statutory or categorical exemption, or a valid No Effect Determination issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the Notice of Determination is not operative, vested, or final, and shall not be accepted by the county clerk.

COUNTY DOCUMENTARY HANDLING FEE

The county clerk may charge a documentary handling fee of fifty dollars (\$50) per filing in addition to the environmental document filing fee (Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subd. (e); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5, subd. (g)(1)). A county board of supervisors shall have the authority to increase or decrease the fee or charge, that is otherwise authorized to be levied by another provision of law, in the amount reasonably necessary to recover the cost of providing any product or service or the cost of enforcing any regulation for which the fee or charge is levied (Gov. Code, § 54985, subd. (a)).

COLLECTION PROCEDURES FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

Filing Notice of Determination (NOD):

- Collect environmental document filing fee or copy of previously issued cash receipt. *(Do not collect fee if project applicant presents a No Effect Determination signed by CDFW. An additional fee is required for each separate environmental document. An addendum is not considered a separate environmental document. Checks should be made payable to the county.)*
- Issue environmental document filing fee cash receipt to project applicant.
- Attach copy of environmental document filing fee cash receipt and, if applicable, previously issued cash receipt, to NOD.
- Mail environmental document filing fee for **CRP** document to CDFW prior to filing the NOD or equivalent final approval (Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, § 753.5 (b)(5)). The CRP should request receipt from CDFW to show proof of payment for filing the NOD or equivalent approval. Mail payment to address below made attention to the Cash Receipts Unit of the Accounting Services Branch.

If the project applicant presents a **No Effect Determination** signed by CDFW, also:

- Attach No Effect Determination to NOD *(no environmental document filing fee is due)*.

Filing Notice of Exemption (NOE) *(Statutorily or categorically exempt project (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15260-15285, 15300-15333))*

- Issue environmental document filing fee cash receipt to project applicant.
- Attach copy of environmental document filing fee cash receipt to NOE *(no environmental document filing fee is due)*.

Within 30 days after the end of each month in which the environmental document filing fees are collected, each county shall summarize and record the amount collected on the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31) and remit the amount collected to the State Treasurer. Identify the remittance on Form No. CA25 as "Environmental Document Filing Fees" per Fish and Game Code section 711.4.

The county clerk shall submit the documents below to CDFW on a monthly basis by mail or CDFW's File Transfer Portal (see below):

- A photocopy of the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31)
- CDFW/ASB copies of all cash environmental document filing fee cash receipts (including all voided receipts)
- A copy of all CDFW No Effect Determinations filed in lieu of fee payment
- A copy of all NODs and NOEs filed with the county during the preceding month
- A list of the name, address and telephone number of all project applicants for which an NOD and NOE has been filed. If this information is contained on the environmental document filing fee cash receipt filed with CDFW under California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 753.5, subdivision (e)(6), no additional information is required.

DOCUMENT RETENTION

The county shall retain a copy of the environmental document filing fee cash receipt and all documents described above for at least 12 months.

RECEIPT NUMBER

- # The first two digits automatically populate by making the appropriate selection in the County/State Agency of Filing drop down menu.
- # The next eight digits automatically populate when a date is entered.
- # The last three digits correspond with the sequential order of issuance for each calendar year. For example, the first receipt number issued on January 1 should end in 001. If a county issued 252 receipts for the year ending on December 31, the last receipt number should end in 252. CDFW recommends that counties and state agencies 1) save a local copy of this form, and 2) track receipt numbers on a spreadsheet tabbed by month to ensure accuracy.

DO NOT COMBINE THE ENVIRONMENTAL FEES WITH THE STATE SHARE OF FISH AND WILDLIFE FEES.

For access to CDFW's File Transfer Portal, submit email to CEQA@wildlife.ca.gov (Subject line: [County name] FTP account).

Mail to:

California Department of Fish and Wildlife
 Accounting Services Branch
 P.O. Box 944209
 Sacramento, California 94244-2090