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ATTACHMENT B

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Public Works Department, Resource Recovery and Waste Management

The project or activity identified below is determined to not be approval or a commitment to a definite course of action and thus 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 is not required at this time.

APN: n/a **Case No.:** n/a

Location: n/a

Project Title: Contract Amendment with HF&H Consultants (BC 16-183).

Name of Public Agency: County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Santa Barbara County Public Works Department, Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division

Project Description: Amend an existing contract with HF&H Consultants for assistance with analyzing the economic feasibility of the Proposed Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project (TRRP).

Exempt Status: (Check one)


- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency
- No Approval or commitment to definite course of action (CEQA Guidelines § 15352)

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: CEQA Section 15352(a) states that "Approval' means the decision by a public agency which commits the agency to a definite course of action in regard to a project intended to be carried out by any person."

Reasons to support exemption findings: The County is amending a contract with HF&F Consultants to prepare a Feasibility Study for the TRRP and is not approving the project at this time, nor is the County committing itself to a definite course of action on the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project.

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Acceptance Date: _____

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