## **NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Jacquelynn Ybarra, Planner, Energy Minerals & Compliance Division
activity identified below is determined to be exempt from further environmental ements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as defined in County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA.
Case No.: 23RVP-00031
e project spans approximately 5,887 acres and is located approximately 4.2 miles ity of Lompoc in the Third and Fourth Supervisorial Districts.
Revision to Permit Condition No. 38, MM BIO-16 (Golden Eagle Take Permit) for ind Energy Project
cant: Strauss Wind, LLC
<b>iption</b> : Applicant requesting approval of a revision to the Strauss Wind Energy () Conditional Use Permit No. 16CUP-00000-00031 Condition of Approval No. 38, o state that prior to operation, Strauss must demonstrate that a Take Authorization or golden eagles has been determined complete by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Take Permit be issued (or intended to be issued or not needed), as currently stated.
ic Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara, Planning and Development
on or Entity Carrying Out Project: Strauss Wind, LLC
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**Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guidelines Section**: 15270(a); CEQA does not apply to projects that a public agency rejects or disapproves.

CEQA Notice of Exemption
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Strauss Wind Energy Project
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Attachment B – 2

**Reasons to support exemption findings**: The request is exempt from environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15270(a), which states:

"CEQA does not apply to projects which a public agency rejects or disapproves".

The Board of Supervisors determined that the project cannot be approved, therefore, CEQA does not apply and no further environmental review is required.

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**Distribution**: Hearing Support Staff

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