

**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:** Santa Barbary County

**Project Title:** Replacement Lease with California State Lands Commission for Placement and Maintenance of Swim and Channel Marker Buoys in the Pacific Ocean

**Project Description:** The new lease with California State Lands Commission will allow the County's continued placement of swim and marker buoys in the Pacific Ocean at Goleta Beach, Arroyo Burro Beach, Lookout Beach, Butterfly Beach and Miramar Beach between May 1<sup>st</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup> annually in order to separate a safe swimming area from the area used by powered vessels. Buoys at these designated beach areas have been placed since May 16, 1983 through California State Lands Lease(s) and County Ordinance No. 3371.

**Exempt Status:**  
 Categorical Exemption

**Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section:** 15311(c).

**Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary):**  
 The swim and channel marker buoys are seasonally placed and removed in generally the same locations at public beaches for safe swimming areas. The buoys are temporary accessory structures designed for public use and hence fall under the Class 1 CEQA exemption.

Department/Division Representative Jill Van Wie Date: January 5, 2018  
 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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