

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**

**FROM: Department of Public Works – Transportation Division**  
(Lead Department/Division)

Based on a preliminary review of the project the following activity 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: California Boulevard at Clubhouse Drive in the Fourth Supervisorial District**

**PROJECT TITLE: Multiway (4-way) Stop Control on California Boulevard at Clubhouse Drive,**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The scope of the project is to rescind the Multiway (4-way) Stop Control on California Boulevard at Clubhouse Drive. The intersection of California Boulevard and Clubhouse Drive is currently controlled by a 4-way stop. New stop signs have been installed on California Boulevard at Union Valley Parkway. As a result, vehicles traveling on California Boulevard must stop at two intersections that are very close together.

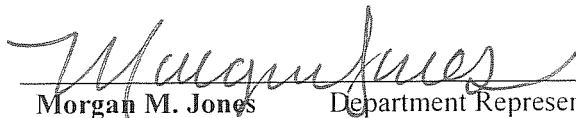
**EXEMPT STATUS :( Check One)**

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- Categorical Exemption [Sec. 15301]
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061(b,3)]

**Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section:** 15301(c) Existing Facilities – "...consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, including but not limited to:...(c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety), except where the activity will involve removal of a scenic resource including a stand of trees, a rock outcropping, or an historic building.

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

The County Public Works Department conducted an Engineering Study at the intersection of California Boulevard at Clubhouse Drive. Based on this study the Department recommends removal of the stop signs on California Boulevard at Clubhouse Drive. Stop controls are established based on traffic volumes and safety measures. Further, there are no unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect. The project allows for a public safety activity designed to maintain a safe traveling condition of the highway facility as it was constructed.

  
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Department Representative

February 4, 2011

Date

**NOTE:** A copy of this document must be posted with the County's Planning & Development Department 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.

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