

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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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.

APNs: 125-360-010 & -011 and portion of 125-360-009 Case No. Real Property File 002310

LOCATION: 201 South Miller Street, Santa Maria, CA 93454

PROJECT TITLE: CSS Lease Agreement at 201 S. Miller St. in Santa Maria

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed lease agreement (“Lease”) will allow the Santa Barbara County Department of Child Support Services (CSS) to lease a smaller office space in the same multi-tenant commercial office building it currently occupies at 201 South Miller Street in Santa Maria (“Building”) after its current lease expires on February 28, 2023. The new office space will consist of 3,295 square feet in a portion of the building that CSS currently occupies. The new term will be for an initial period of 5 years followed by one option to extend the term for an additional period of 5 years.

**EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)**

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- X Categorical Exemption [Section 15301]
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect

**Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section:** 15301 [*Existing Facilities*]

**Reasons to support exemption findings:** The proposed action is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15301 [*Existing Facilities*] of the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The CEQA Existing Facilities exemption at Section 15301 allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency’s determination. The proposed action does not involve an expansion of use under the reasonably same parameters as currently exist, therefore, approval of this Lease is exempt from CEQA in accordance with Section 15301.

With regard to the proposed project, the exceptions to the Existing Facilities categorical exemption that must be considered pursuant to Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines are:

- (a) *Location. Classes 3,4,5,6, and 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located – a project that is ordinarily insignificant in its impact on the environment may in a particularly sensitive environment be significant. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply in all instances, except where the project may impact on an*

*environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and official adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.*

The Section 15301 is a Class 1 Categorical Exemption, therefore this exception is not applicable.

- (b) *Cumulative Impact. All exemptions for these classes are inapplicable when the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant.*

There are no successive projects of the same type in the same place anticipated for this location. There is no cumulative impact and, therefore this exception does not apply.

- (c) *Significant Effect. A categorical exemption shall not be used for an activity where there is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.*

The County's proposed Lease will allow CSS to continue its current use of the Building and result in minor physical changes including the addition of a restroom facility. These actions will not result in a significant effect on the environment.

- (d) *Scenic Highways. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway. This does not apply to improvements which are required as mitigation by an adopted negative declaration or certified EIR.*

This proposed project is in an existing building. There are no state scenic highways in the project area. This exception does not apply.

- (e) *Hazardous Waste Sites. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.*

This proposed project is not located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. Therefore, it is not located on a hazardous waste site and this exception does not apply.

- (f) *Historical Resources. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.*

This proposed project does not involve any historical resources. This exception does not apply.

**Journal Entry**

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			Total	50.00	50.00								

**Signatures**

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# 2023 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

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Complete this form when filing a Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, Environmental Impact Report or Notice of Exemption.

You will need to submit one original for posting plus one copy for the Department of Fish & Wildlife. A scanned copy 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.

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Project Title <b>002310 Child Support Services Lease Agreement at 201 South Miller</b>			
Project Applicant <b>Susan Freebourn</b>	Email sfreebourn@countyofsb.org	Phone <b>805--568-3070</b>	
Project Applicant Address 1105 Santa Barbara, Courthouse 2nd Flr	City <b>Santa Barbara</b>	State <b>CA</b>	Zip <b>93101</b>

### DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR) .....
  - 2023 Filing Fee .....\$3,839.25
  - Previously Paid (must attach receipt) ..... \$0.00
  - No Effect Determination (must be attached)..... \$0.00

- Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration .....
  - 2023 Filing Fee .....\$2,764.00
  - Previously Paid (must attach receipt) ..... \$0.00
  - No Effect Determination (must be attached)..... \$0.00

- 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 Card     Check # \_\_\_\_\_     Journal Entry # JE - 0244103
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State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2023 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
**CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/23) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:  
 42 — 02/08/2023 — 016  
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SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY General Services	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL sfreebourn@countyofsb.org	DATE 02/08/2023
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING Santa Barbara	DOCUMENT NUMBER	

PROJECT TITLE  
 002310 Child Support Services Lease Agreement at 201 South Miller

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PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

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

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$3,839.25	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,764.00	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,305.25	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee			
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	0.00
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