

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services
(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) 059-140-029 **Case No.** 8682

LOCATION: 4434 Calle Real, Santa Barbara

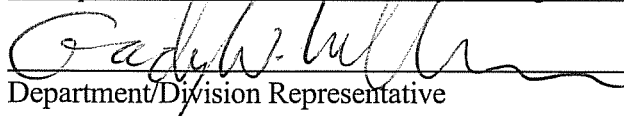
PROJECT TITLE: SB County Jail AP Conversion & Sheriff's Headquarters Expansion

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project is comprised of 2 phases: Phase I involving the conversion of an existing conference room, the "All Purpose" (AP) Room, within the basement of the existing jail into an up to 50 bed dormitory to address jail overcrowding and Phase II being a 2 story expansion of the existing Sheriff's Headquarters. The modifications associated with the AP Conversion include plumbing, electrical, architectural, and mechanical modifications to allow the space to serve as housing. The expansion to Sheriff's Headquarters will have a footprint of approximately 4,500SF for a total of +/-9,000 SF and will include offices, conference rooms, support space, and utility modifications to serve the expansion. The building will be constructed in accordance with essential services standards, and will include a new emergency generator consistent with emergency generators already serving the campus.

EXEMPT STATUS:(Check One)

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- Categorical Exemption [§15301 (a),§15303 (c)]
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061 (b,3)].

Phase I of the project and any limited renovation to areas in the existing Sheriff's admin building in Phase II are exempt from CEQA review under 14 CCR §15301(a) as they consist of maintenance and repair of existing buildings. Subsection (a) allows interior or exterior alterations involving such things as interior partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances. Under 14 CCR §15303(c), the expansion of Sheriff's Headquarters is exempt from CEQA review because it consists of a new small commercial building not exceeding 10,000 square feet in floor area on an urbanized site zoned for such use not involving the use of significant amounts of hazardous substances. In addition, all necessary public services and facilities are available and the surrounding area, an existing parking lot, is not environmentally sensitive. Furthermore, the expansion is intended to serve only existing staff and programmatic needs.


Department/Division Representative

1/7/10
Date

NOTE: A copy must be posted DERC 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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