

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 (Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq.), as defined in the State CEQA Guidelines and County Revised CEQA Guidelines.

APN(s) N/A County owned Right of Way **Project No.** N/A

LOCATION: First, Second, Third and Fourth Supervisorial Districts

PROJECT TITLE: **Adopting Stop Controls, Parking Restrictions, Angle Parking, and Rescinding Parking Restrictions in the First, Second, Third and Fourth Supervisorial District**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Public Works requests the Board of Supervisors adopt the proposed Resolution to establish new stop controls, parking restrictions, and one-way road in the First, Second, Third and Fourth Supervisorial Districts and to rescind parking restrictions in the Second Supervisorial District.

Proposed Stop Controls

Pursuant to County Code 23-1 and California Vehicle Code Sections 21354 and 21355 the Board of Supervisors may, by Resolution, designate any highway intersection under its jurisdiction as a stop-controlled intersection requiring stop signs to be installed at one or more entrances to the intersection. The California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices provides “Stop Controls” on entrances to intersections are warranted if engineering judgment indicates such controls are needed based on safety and the establishment of proper right-of-way.

- **Morning Ridge Road at Fountain Drive - Fourth Supervisorial District**
Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed intersection control at Morning Ridge Road and Fountain Drive in the Fourth Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #1). This will stop all traffic entering the intersection of Morning Ridge Road and Fountain Drive. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution an all-way “Stop Control” at Morning Ridge Road and Fountain Drive in the Orcutt area.

Proposed Parking Restrictions

Pursuant to County Code 23-11 permitted by California Vehicle Code Sections 22507 and 22507.5 the Board of Supervisors, by Resolution may regulate vehicle parking on certain streets or highways, or portions thereof, during all or certain hours of the day.

- **Tye Road – First Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed parking restriction on Tye Road in the First Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #2). Tye Road is a 22-foot wide two-lane roadway with varying paved and dirt shoulder width. The proposed parking restriction will improve safety for motorists pedestrians. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following parking restriction:

- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the west side of Tye Road from 147 feet north of the centerline Foothill Road to the centerline of Foothill Road.

- **Cathedral Oaks Road - Second Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed parking restriction on Cathedral Oaks Road in the Second Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #3). The location has been used for vehicles for sale and other storage of vehicles causing a nuisance and sight distance issue. It is currently a limited no parking zone between the hours of 2:00am – 6:00am. Public Works recommends that your Board rescind the existing limited no parking zone, and approve by resolution the following parking restriction at this location:

- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the north side of Cathedral Oaks Road from the centerline of Ribera Drive to a point 375 feet east of the centerline of Ribera Drive.

Proposed Angle Parking

Pursuant to County Code 23-11 permitted by California Vehicle Code Sections 22503 the Board of Supervisors, by Resolution may designate portions of any highway under its jurisdiction as an “Angle Parking Zone”.

- **Alamo Pintado Avenue – Third Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed angle parking zone on Alamo Pintado Avenue in the Third Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #4). Alamo Pintado Avenue is located in the heart of the Los Olivos business district. The proposed angle parking will increase the number of on-street parking by adding two additional stalls. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following angle parking:

- Approve by resolution an “Angle Parking Zone” on the north side of Alamo Pintado Avenue from Alley #36412 (Olivet St to Jonata St) to San Marcos Avenue.

The Public Works Department prepared the attached Resolution to rescind or adopt the various traffic control at the following locations:

SECOND DISTRICT – Unincorporated area of Goleta Valley

RESCIND

No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Zone (2:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m.)

- On the north side of Cathedral Oaks Road between the centerline of Ribera Drive and a point 375 feet east of the centerline of Ribera Drive.

FIRST DISTRICT – Unincorporated area of Montecito

ADOPT

No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Zone

- On the west side of Tye Road from 147 feet north of the centerline of Foothill road to the centerline of Foothill Road.

SECOND DISTRICT – Unincorporated area of Goleta Valley

ADOPT

No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Zone

- On the north side of Cathedral Oaks Road from the centerline of Ribera Drive to a point 375 feet east of the centerline of Ribera Drive

THIRD DISTRICT – Unincorporated area of Los Olivos

ADOPT

Angle Parking Zone

- On the north side of Alamo Pintado Avenue from Alley #36412 (Olivet St to Jonata St) to San Marcos Avenue

FOURTH DISTRICT – Unincorporated area of Orcutt

ADOPT

Stop Control

- Stop all traffic entering the intersection of Morning Ridge Road and Fountain Drive.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Public Works Transportation Division

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption {15301(c)}
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: 15301(c) Existing Facilities – Class 1

consists of 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 types of “existing facilities” itemized below are not intended to be all inclusive of the types of projects which might fall within Class 1. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use. Examples include but are 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).

Reasons to support exemption findings: Consistent with this exemption, the proposed project involves a change in parking designations, stop controls and one-way roadway as an effective method for improving traffic safety and circulation. Such are established based upon safety, sight distance restrictions, necessity and how it relates to the use by the community as a whole. The project allows for a public safety activity designed to maintain a safe traveling condition of the highway facility as it was constructed. Further, there are no unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect. Therefore, the project can be found to be categorically exempt from CEQA.

There is no substantial evidence that there are unusual circumstances (including future activities) resulting in (or which might reasonably result in) significant impacts which threaten the environment. The exceptions to the categorical exemptions 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 all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.**

CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 is a Class 1 exemption; therefore, this exception does not apply.

- (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.**

The project involves changes to areas on existing public roads. In addition, there are no other identified projects which would contribute to cumulative impacts. 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 project involves a routine updating of parking regulations and public safety improvements on public roads. Therefore, this exception does not apply.

- (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.**

The project does not involve a scenic highway or a project which may result in damage to a scenic resource, removal of trees, rock outcropping or similar resource.

- (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.**

There are no hazardous wastes site locations on public roads. Therefore, 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.**

The roadways involved are not identified as a historical resource. In addition, changes in roadway parking regulations would not involve any structural modifications to existing facilities. Therefore, this exception does not apply.

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Acceptance Date: **March 19, 2024**

Distribution: Hearing Support Staff for posting

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NOTE: A copy of this document must be posted 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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