

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: On the north side of Trigo Road from a point 50 feet west of the centerline of Embarcadero Del Mar to a point 84 feet west of the centerline of Embarcadero Del Mar in the Isla Vista area, Third Supervisorial District.

PROJECT TITLE: Designated car share parking zone in Isla Vista.

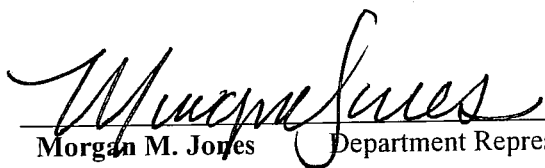
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project will allow a new car share parking zone to be established in accordance with the Isla Vista Master Plan Parking and Transit Policy 4 and Ordinance No. 4742. The proposed new location is currently unrestricted parking and would be designated as car share parking only. The currently designated location would be converted to unrestricted parking and thus result in zero net change of available parking in the area.

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 project is a minor alteration of the existing public road. Car share programs may reduce vehicle ownership and therefore help to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. 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

March 11, 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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