

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse

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FROM: Santa Barbara County Public Works Department, Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division

The project or activity identified below 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.

Location: Unincorporated, urbanized areas Goleta and Santa Barbara (CSA 3), in the community of Isla Vista (CSA 31), and the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Supervisorial Districts.

Project Title: Establishing Benefit Assessments for County Service Areas 3, 31, and the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District for Fiscal Year 2024-2025, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Supervisorial Districts

Project Description: This action is to establish the benefit assessments for streetlighting services in County Service Area 3 (CSA 3) at \$24.00 per residential parcel (factored for other development types), County Service Area 31 (CSA 31) at \$12.93 per residential parcel (factored for other development types), and to not establish (set to zero) the benefit assessment for zones in the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District (SBNCLD) that have benefit assessments. These amounts remain unchanged from last year.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Public Works Department

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: CEQA Guidelines (CCR Section 15273(a) (1)-(4), "Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges".

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary): Streetlights used in public road rights of way are owned and operated by the Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) in the north county and by the Southern California Edison Company (SCE) in the south county. Revenue to fund the operational costs of streetlighting comes from the County Road Fund, property taxes and benefit assessments. The Road Fund provides for streetlighting

services not located within a lighting district or county service area where property taxes and benefit assessments are generated. In total, the County operates two streetlighting districts and three county service areas. Of these, County Service Area 3 (unincorporated Goleta and Santa Barbara), County Service Area 31 (Isla Vista), and portions of the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District generate revenue from benefit assessments. Establishing the benefit assessment is required annually pursuant to the Government Code and the Streets and Highways Code and is for the purposes of meeting operating and capital expenses, as well as for meeting financial reserve needs required to maintain services within the existing service areas. Said rates are not for the expansion of the service system. Therefore, consistent with CEQA Guidelines (CCR Section 15273(a) (1)-(4)), the actions are exempt from CEQA.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Kevin Thompson, Utilities Manager Phone #: (805) 803-8756

Department/Division Representative: Joddi  Leipner, Sr. Engineering Environmental Planner

Date: February 2, 2024

Acceptance Date:

DATE FILED BY CLERK OF THE BOARD _____



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2024 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

County of Santa Barbara - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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(805) 568-2240

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

A scanned copy of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Receipt, Transmittal Memorandum and the CEQA filing 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.

Contact Person Kevin Thompson, Joddi Leipner		Phone (805) 803-8756	
Lead Agency CSA 3, CSA 31, and North County Lighting District		Lead Agency Email kethomp@countyofsb.org; jleipner@countyofsb.org	
Project Title Benefit Assessments for County Service Areas 3, 31, and the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District for Fiscal Year 2024-2025			
Project Applicant CSA 3, CSA 31, and North County Lighting District	Email kethomp@countyofsb.org; amarredondo@countyofsb.org	Phone (805) 803-8756	
Project Applicant Address 620 West Foster Road	City Santa Maria	State CA	Zip 93455

DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- Notice of Determination - Environmental Impact Report (EIR)\$4,051.25
 - 2024 Filing Fee\$4,051.25
 - Previously Paid (must attach receipt) \$0.00
 - No Effect Determination (must be attached)..... \$0.00

Environmental Filing Fees will be collected *only* for projects that are approved. The Applicant must attest to the following:

- This project has been approved. Date of Approval: Click or tap to enter a date.

- Notice of Determination - Negative Declaration (ND) or Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND).....\$2,916.75
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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
In person only
- Check # _____
- Journal Entry # JE - 0261216
In FIN send to 'COB CEQA' in CEO Dept

Journal Entry

Document Number: JE - 0261216
 Document Description: CEQA COB filing fee - FY2425 Streetlighting rates
 Post On: 3/12/2024

Batch ID: 2871793
 Processed On:
 Processed By:

Created On: 2/6/2024 4:20:07 PM
 Created By: Angela Arredondo

References

Audit Trail: Cash Type: I - Interfund

Accounting

Fund	Dept	GL Acct	LI Acct	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Prog	QUnit	Proj	Act	Area	Equip	Depositor	Description
2120	054	2810	7650	25.00		0041							FY2425 CSA 3 rate - CEQA NOE clerk processing fee
2220	054	2810	7650	25.00		0052							FY2425 CSA 31 rate - CEQA NOE clerk processing fee
2120		0110			25.00								FY2425 CSA 3 rate - CEQA NOE clerk processing fee
2220		0110			25.00								FY2425 CSA 31 rate - CEQA NOE clerk processing fee
0001		0110		50.00									FY2425 rates - CEQA NOE clerk processing fee
0001	012	2710	5746		50.00	4020							FY2425 rates - CEQA NOE clerk processing fee
			Total	100.00	100.00								

Signatures

Signed By	Approval Level	Department/Agency-Fund Group	Signed On	Valid
Angela Arredondo	Fund/Department	054-Laguna Sanitation	2/6/2024 4:39:30 PM	Y



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2024 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/24) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:
 42 — 05/08/2024 — 111
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY CSA 3, CSA 31, and North County Lighting District	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL kethomp@countyofsb.org; Jleipner@countyofsb.org	DATE 05/08/2024
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING Santa Barbara	DOCUMENT NUMBER	

PROJECT TITLE

Benefit Assessments for County Service Areas 3, 31, and the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME CSA 3, CSA 31, and North County Lighting District	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL kethomp@countyofsb.org; amarredondo@countyofsb.org	PHONE NUMBER (805) 803-8756
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 620 West Foster Road	CITY Santa Maria	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 93455

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

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

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

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|---|------------|----|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR) | \$4,051.25 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) | \$2,916.75 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW | \$1,377.25 | \$ | 0.00 |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy) | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) | \$850.00 | \$ | 0.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee | | \$ | 50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | | \$ | |

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TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE X <i>Sarah E. Mayer</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Sarah Mayer, Deputy Clerk
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