NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Community Services Department

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.

APN(s): N/A **Case No.:** N/A

Location: Santa Barbary County

Project Title: emPower CivicSpark Service Agreement

Project Description: CivicSpark is an AmeriCorps program administered by the Local Government Commission designed to build capacity for local governments in California to pursue clean energy, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and implement sustainable community strategies through an 11-month placement of trained CivicSpark Members. The Agreement will allow the Energy and Sustainability Initiatives Division to bolster its capacity for achieving the County's emissions reduction goals by hosting a CivicSpark member.

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- ☐ Ministerial
- ☐ Statutory
- ☐ Categorical Exemption
- ☐ Emergency Project
- ☐ No Possibility of Significant Effect [§15061(b,3)]
- ☒ Other

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15378(b)(5)

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary):

This action does not constitute a project under CEQA as the action involves administrative activities of governments which will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Department/Division Representative _____ Date September 21, 2015

Jill Van Wie

Note: A copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days.

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