

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services Department, Facilities 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: All Supervisorial Districts

PROJECT TITLE: South County Energy Efficiency Partnership Amendment (SCEEP)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The current South County Energy Efficiency Partnership (SCEEP) between the County and Southern California Edison (SCE) that was initiated on April 6, 2010 expired in December, 2012. A signed agreement is necessary to continue participation during the 2015-2016 funding cycle and has been approved by the California Public Utilities Commission

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)

Ministerial

Statutory

Categorical Exemption (Not a Project)

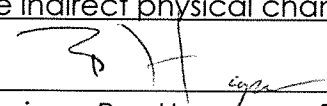
Emergency Project

No Possibility of Significant Effect Sec. 15061 (b) (3)

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: CEQA Guidelines §15378(b) (4)

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

Approving the amendment described above will not, in any substantive manner, result in any direct or indirect physical change to the environment or cause any significant environmental effects. The amendment involves the creation of government funding mechanisms, or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to a specific project that may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment. In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b) (3) exempts activities from CEQA "[w]here it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment." In addition, CEQA defines "project" as an activity that may result in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.


General Services, Roy Hapeman, Energy Manager

2/10/15
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.

Date filed by County Clerk