

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
FROM: County Counsel Office

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):** Not applicable.

**Case No.:** Not applicable.

**Location:** Not applicable.

**Project Title:** Agreement for Professional Legal Services with Outside Counsel (Rutan & Tucker) for Highway 101 construction

**Project Description:** Contract for professional legal services.


Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- Not a Project: Section 15378(b)(4)

**Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section:** Section 15378(b)(4) – Creation of government funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

**Reasons to support exemption findings:**

The proposed agreement is for professional legal services and does not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact to the environment.

  
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 County Counsel Representative 3/31/2017  
Date

Acceptance Date (date of final action on project): \_\_\_\_\_

Date Filed by County Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: A copy of this form must be posted at Planning and Development six days prior to a decision on the project. Upon project approval, this form must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days.*

Distribution: (for posting six days prior to action, and posting original after approval)