

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): Various **Case No.: N/A**

LOCATION: 105 East Anapamu Street, 4th Floor Board of Supervisors Hearing Room

PROJECT TITLE: Transportation Development Act (TDA) Claim for FY 2012-2013; All Supervisorial Districts

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute a Resolution authorizing the filing of a \$1,703,846 claim with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) for an allocation of Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds for fiscal year 2012/2013

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- Categorical Exemption [Sec. 15378(b, 2)]**
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061(b, 3)]

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: Section 15378 project means the whole of an action, which has the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect change, and that is any of the following: (b), Project does not include: (2) Continuing administrative or maintenance activities, such as purchases for supplies, personal-related actions, general policy and procedure making...

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

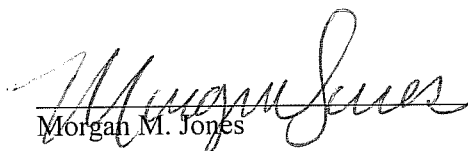
The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors is the responsible agency to transfer funds for transportation projects in all Supervisorial Districts. The TDA makes funds available to Santa Barbara County for transit, paratransit, transportation planning, pedestrian and bike facilities, and street and road purposes. Each year SBCAG makes an allocation of TDA funding to eligible agencies, and each agency is required to authorize a position to execute and file the claims with SBCAG. The allocation of TDA funding is not a project by definition. The term project refers to the activity which is being approved and which may be subject to several discretionary approvals by governmental agencies. The term project does not mean each separate governmental approval.

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Acceptance Date: **May 22, 2012**

Distribution: Hearing Support Staff for posting



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May 4, 2012

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.

Distribution:

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