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 CEOA.

APN(s): N/A

Case No.: N/A

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

PROJECT TITLE: Program of Projects

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: As part of the local guidelines of the Measure A one-half cent sales tax, the Board of Supervisors must adopt a Resolution annually indicating the Program of Projects for five fiscal years, and certifying the intent to allocate the required local discretionary funds to satisfy the "Maintenance of Efforts" provision of Measure A for FY 2014/2015. Also as part of the Measure A guidelines, the County must spend 10 percent of the funding on eligible Alternative Transportation costs.

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)	
Ministerial	
Statutory	
X Categorical Exemption [Sec. 15378	S(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 authorize the Program of Projects as part of the local guidelines of the Measure A. The request to approve Program of Projects 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. Further, the approval of the Program of Projects will not create any unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect.

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Acceptance Date: April 1, 2014 [Date of final action on project]
Distribution: Hearing Support Staff for posting
Morgan M. Jones March 17,, 2014 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 statue of limitations on legal challenges.
Distribution:
Date filed with Planning & Development Date filed with Clerk of Board