NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Santa Barbara County Public Works Department; Flood Control & Water Conservation 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 (Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq.), as defined in the State CEQA Guidelines and County Revised CEQA guidelines.

APN(s) <u>137-090-067</u> and <u>-068</u> (PORTION OF EACH)

Case No. Not Applicable

LOCATION: Parcel 137-090-067 is located in the City of Buellton "Property 1", the adjacent parcel 137-090-068 "Property 2" is located in the unincorporated area of the County both as shown on "Exhibit A" attached hereto and incorporated herein.

PROJECT TITLE: Quitclaim of an easement on Property 1, and acceptance of a replacement easement on Property 2, both by the S. B. County Flood Control and Water Conservation District.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Ask the Board of Directors of the S.B. County Flood Control and Water Conservation District to execute a Quitclaim Deed for an easement held by Flood Control on Property 1, and execute a Certificate of Acceptance for a replacement Easement on Property 2. If the exchange is consummated the existing Flood Control easement on Property 1 will be extinguished and the Flood Control rights will be shifted north on to Property 2.

EXEMPT STATUS:(Check One)	Ministerial
	Statutory
	Categorical Exemption
	Emergency Project
	X No Possibility of Significant Effect

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: Guidelines Section 15061 (b, 3) Review for Exemption

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary): CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b, 3) Review for Exemption, states that a project is exempt from CEQA if: "The activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA." Therefore, this real estate transaction is not subject to CEQA.

Maureen Spence 9/26/09
Department/ Division Representative 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.

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