

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Community Services Department

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

Location: Countywide

Project Title: Housing and Community Development (HCD) Role in Implementation of the Continuum of Care Program (CoC)

Project Description: The County of Santa Barbara, through HCD, has functioned as the lead agency of the locally-established homeless assistance planning network, or CoC, administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). CoC Program rules were modified by HUD on July 31, 2012; these changes formalize the lead agency responsibilities of CoC and establish minimum requirements for operation and management of funds. The administrative responsibilities are not funded by HUD hence direction is requested to continue or discontinue HCD's role as the lead agency.

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect [§15061(b,3)]
- Other

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15378(b)(5); Administrative activities of governments which will not result in a physical change in the environment are not a project as defined by CEQA.

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

The direction of HCD's role in the CoC program implementation is an administrative action and has no direct physical impact on the environment.

Department/Division Representative Jill Van Wie Date July 22, 2013

Note: A copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days.

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