

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Willow Brown, Planner, Planning & Development

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:** 001-090-002

**Case No.:** 23EMP-00002

**Location:** 6460 Casitas Pass Road

**Project Title:** Sixty Four Sixty LLC – Emergency Permit – Slope Protection

**Project Applicant:** Eva Turenchalk and Carly Earnest

**Project Description:** This is a report to the Board of Supervisors of the Director of P&D's action to issue an Emergency Permit to allow a repair of an existing slope failure that occurred during the 2023 storm. The Emergency Permit was issued for the placement of approximately 300 linear feet of rock slope protection along the left bank (looking downstream) of Gobernador Creek, as necessary to arrest ongoing bank erosion that threatens to undermine several structures, including the existing residence at 6460 Casitas Pass Road. The newly constructed slope will attempt to reconstruct the pre-disturbance stream bank geometry, and will result in a cross section approximately matching the width of the channel immediately upstream and downstream of the proposed work, outside of the effects of recent erosion. The rock will be placed at a slope of 1.5H:1V. The base will be keyed six feet below the bed of the creek and the top rock will be extended up to the 100-year flood elevation. Live willow stakes will be planted into the interstitial spaces of the rock as it is placed and then native streambed materials (alluvial sands, gravel, and cobble) will be used to fill all remaining voids. The work is expected to be completed within approximately four weeks of permit issuance. The parcel is served by the Carpinteria Valley Water District, an existing septic system and drywell, and the Carpinteria-Summerland Fire District. Access is provided off of Casitas Pass Road. The property is a 6.13-acre parcel zoned AG-I-10 and shown as Assessor's Parcel Number 001-090-002, located at 6460 Casitas Pass Road within the Carpinteria area, First Supervisorial District.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** County of Santa Barbara

**Name of Person or Entity Carrying Out Project:** Eva Turenchalk and Carly Earnest

**Exempt Status:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Ministerial

June 27, 2023

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- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency
- Not a Project

**Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guidelines Section:** CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5) (Not a Project).

**Reasons to support exemption findings:** *CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5)* states that an organizational or administrative activity of governments that will not result in direct or indirect impacts to the environment is not considered a project under CEQA. Providing a report that describes the Emergency Permit to the Board of Supervisors is an administrative responsibility that has no impact on the environment and thus is not a project under CEQA.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Willow Brown, Planner

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**Date:** June 27, 2023

**Acceptance Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Distribution:** Hearing Support Staff

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