

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, LEAD AGENCY

Clerk of the Board-Filing Date

Based on a review of the project and project description, the following activity is determined to as indicated below. Specific findings are indicated below and environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA are included, if applicable.

APN(s) (or N/A): N/A

Case No. GSD-100214-3667-001
(current date, project# and NOE number for this project)

LOCATION(city/unicorporated area/NA): Location 1: Santa Ynez Peak, Location 2: Cachuma County Park, Location 3: County Emergency Operations Center, Location 4: Foxen Canyon- 4004 Foxen Canyon Rd. and Location 5: Tajiguas Landfill - 14470 Calle Real.

PROJECT TITLE: County Microwave System Installation

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (attach continuation page, if necessary):Install or upgrade point-to-point microwave equipment locations above in an effort to provide stable communication links between the southern county area with the northern county area across multiple device channels.

DETERMINATION:

NOT A PROJECT (§15378): A *project* as defined by CEQA is one in which the whole of the action has a potential for resulting in either a direct or indirect physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. The action described above has been determined by the Lead Agency to not be a Project under CEQA. **No further environmental review is required.**

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check Only One)

Ministerial (§15369)

Statutory (§15260)

Categorical Exemption (§15354)

Emergency Project (§15359)

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Sub-Section(s) §15301 (b) modification of existing public utilities

FINDINGS TO SUPPORT DETERMINATION: (attach additional material, if necessary):

Modifications of existing investor or publically-owned utilities, like communications equipment is exempt under the section cited above.

DISTRIBUTION: Clerk of the Board, File

Robert Ooley, FAIA County Archiect
Department/Division Representative (print & sign name)

4/23/15
Date

NOTE: A copy must be posted 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.