

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**FROM: Department of Public Works/Engineering 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 (Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq.), as defined in the State CEQA Guidelines and County Revised CEQA Guidelines.

APN(s) 023-172-012;013;016 to 028;030;031;032 & 023-164-005;006;008;009;011 & 023-171-001 to 005 & 023-221-001 to 009; 011 to 017;041;0045 **Project No. N/A**

LOCATION. Adjacent to Parcels between Tye road and Mission Canyon road

PROJECT TITLE No parking Signage along Foothill Road (Highway 192)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

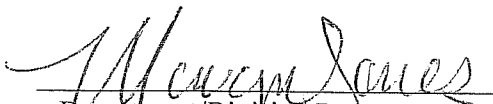
The Public Works Department proposes to install "No Parking" signs in the Mission Canyon area to address safety concerns related to vehicle parking on State Route 192 (Foothill Road) in the County of Santa Barbara. The roadway at this location was recently widened to provide additional shoulder width for a vehicle recovery safety zone, as well as providing additional width for bicycles. Eliminating parking at this location is necessary to designate a safe passage for those traveling along State Route 192. Locations indentified are on the south side of State Route 192 (Foothill Road), from the centerline of Mission Canyon Road to the centerline of Tye Road. On the north side of State Route 192 (Foothill Road), from the centerline of Mission Canyon Road to the centerline of Tye Road, to be designated at the discretion of the Road Commissioner.

EXEMPT STATUS:(Check One)

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

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section 15301 (c) Existing Facilities – "...consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, including but not limited to:...(c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety), except where the activity will involve removal of a scenic resource including a stand of trees, a rock outcropping, or an historic building.

Reasons to support exemption findings: The project is a safety improvement and therefore is contemplated by the CEQA exemption under section 15301. Further, there are no unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect. Because this is a public road project outside of the Coastal Zone it has been determined to be exempt from the Land Use Development Permit requirements by ordinance, under Section 35.10.040 G (b) of the Land Use Development Code. The project is public safety activity designed to maintain a safe traveling condition of the highway facility as it was constructed.


Department/Division Representative

6/26/09
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.