

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Clerk of the Board of Directors of the Laguna County Sanitation District

FROM: Public Works Department/Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division

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) : 113-240-006 Case No.: Not Applicable

Location: Southwest intersection of Black and Dutard Roads, Orcutt area, unincorporated Santa Barbara County.

Project Title: Recycled Water User Agreement with Rancho Punta de la Laguna Properties, LLC - Fourth Supervisorial District.

Project Description: Execution of an agreement to distribute recycled water from the Laguna County Sanitation District wastewater reclamation plant to on off site user for the purposes of supplying water to a stock trough on property to be dry grazed with beef cattle.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Laguna County Sanitation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: County of Santa Barbara Public Works Department, Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: CEQA Guideline Section 15303 – New Construction or Conversion of small structures.

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary): CEQA does not apply to the new construction of small facilities related to the extension of utility services. The agreement provides for the distribution of recycled water to property zoned for agricultural use. The Laguna County Sanitation District will provide a meter off its existing recycled transmission pipeline from which the user will place small diameter (3/4") pipe in existing farm access roads or above ground to existing buried pipes for the purposes of filling stock trough(s).

Lead Agency Contact Person: Mark A. Schleich, Deputy Director (805) 882-3600

Department/Division Representative: Joddi Leipner, Env. Planner Date: January 27, 2010

Acceptance Date:

Note: A copy of this form must be posted at P&D 6 days prior to a decision on the project. Upon project approval, this form must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days to begin a 35 day statute of limitations on legal challenges.

DATE POSTED AT PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

DATE FILED BY COUNTY CLERK