

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department of Public Works/Transportation 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) N/A County owned Right of Way **Project No.** N/A

LOCATION: All Supervisorial Districts

PROJECT TITLE: **Adopting Ordinance Amending Parking Regulations Specified in County Code Section 23-11 and Repealing County Code Section 23-13.12 Pertaining to Oversized Vehicles; in all Supervisorial Districts.**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Public Works requests the Board of Supervisors adopt the proposed Resolution to establish new parking restrictions in all Supervisorial Districts. The resolution is to consider recommendations regarding the introduction of an Ordinance amending parking regulations of oversized vehicles, as follows:

- a) Approve the introduction (First Reading) of an Ordinance amending Santa Barbara County Code, Chapter 23, Section 11 and repealing Chapter 23, Section 13.12, pertaining to parking restrictions of oversized vehicles on County right of way in all Supervisorial Districts.

This item recommends changes made to County processes concerning the establishment and approval of parking restrictions of oversized vehicles based on Board direction from the January 14, 2025 item regarding the Consideration of Possible Revisions to the Encampment Response Protocol and Safe Parking Program. Currently, parking restrictions of oversized vehicles are established through ordinance updates presented to the Board, which require longer processing times. With your Board's approval of the Proposed Ordinance, such parking restrictions would be established by resolutions of your Board, which will expedite posting of restrictions and enforcement.

Actions include set a hearing on the Departmental Agenda of April 1, 2025, to consider recommendations regarding the introduction of an Ordinance amending parking regulations of oversized vehicles. Read the title of the Ordinance into the record and waive further reading of the Ordinance in full; and set a hearing for the Administrative Agenda of April 8, 2025, to consider adoption of an Ordinance amending the parking regulations of oversized vehicles.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Public Works Transportation Division

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption {15301(c)}
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: 15301(c) Existing Facilities – Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency’s determination. The types of “existing facilities” itemized below are not intended to be all inclusive of the types of projects which might fall within Class 1. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use. Examples include but are 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).

Reasons to support exemption findings: Consistent with this exemption, the proposed project involves a change in parking restrictions of oversized vehicles. The project allows for a public safety activity designed to maintain a safe traveling condition of the highway facility as it was constructed. Further, there are no unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect. Therefore, the project can be found to be categorically exempt from CEQA.

There is no substantial evidence that there are unusual circumstances (including future activities) resulting in (or which might reasonably result in) significant impacts which threaten the environment. The exceptions to the categorical exemptions pursuant to Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines are:

- (a) Location. Classes 3, 4, 5, 6, and 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located -- a project that is ordinarily insignificant in its impact on the environment may in a particularly sensitive environment be significant. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.**

CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 is a Class 1 exemption; therefore, this exception does not apply.

- (b) Cumulative Impact. All exemptions for these classes are inapplicable when the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant.**

The project involves changes to parking areas on existing public roads. In addition, there are no other identified projects which would contribute to cumulative impacts. Therefore, this exception does not apply.

- (c) Significant Effect. A categorical exemption shall not be used for an activity where there is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.**

The project involves a routine updating of parking regulations and public safety improvements on public roads. Therefore, this exception does not apply.

- (d) Scenic Highways. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway. This does not apply to improvements which are required as mitigation by an adopted negative declaration or certified EIR.**

The project does not involve a scenic highway or a project which may result in damage to a scenic resource, removal of trees, rock outcropping or similar resource.

- (e) Hazardous Waste Sites. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.**

There are no hazardous wastes site locations on public roads. Therefore, this exception does not apply.

- (f) Historical Resources. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.**

The roadways involved are not identified as a historical resource. In addition, changes in roadway parking regulations would not involve any structural modifications to existing facilities. Therefore, this exception does not apply.

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Department/Division Representative: Morgan Jones, Engineering Environmental Regulatory
Compliance Manager III.

Acceptance Date: Set hearing: March 11, 2025

Hearing Date: April 1, 2025

Second Reading Date: April 8, 2025

Distribution: Hearing Support Staff for posting

Signed by:
Morgan Jones
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March 3, 2025

Morgan Jones

Department Representative

Date

NOTE: A copy of this document 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 statute of limitations on legal challenges.

Distribution: Date Filed by County Clerk: _____.

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2025 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

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Complete this form when filing a Notice of Determination (Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, Environmental Impact Report) or Notice of Exemption.

A scanned copy of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Receipt, Transmittal Memorandum and the CEQA filing, including the date/time of posting will be emailed to the Lead Agency and Project Applicant. If you would like a return copy, please submit an extra copy along with a pre-addressed, stamped envelope.

Contact Person		Phone	
Lead Agency		Lead Agency Email	
Project Title			
Project Applicant	Email	Phone	
Project Applicant Address	City	State	Zip

DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- Notice of Determination - Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
 - 2025 Filing Fee \$4,123.50
 - Previously Paid (**must attach receipt**) \$0.00
 - No Effect Determination (**must be attached**) \$0.00
- Environmental Filing Fees will be collected **only** for projects that are approved. The Applicant must attest to the following:
- This project has been approved. Date of Approval: [Click or tap to enter a date.](#)

- Notice of Determination - Negative Declaration (ND) or Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND).....
 - 2025 Filing Fee \$2,968.75
 - Previously Paid (**must attach receipt**) \$0.00
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Notice of Exemption \$0.00

County Administrative Handling Fee (**required for all filings, effective 7/19/18**) \$50.00

TOTAL: _____

PAYMENT METHOD: ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING

- Cash
- Credit
In person only
- Check # _____
- Journal Entry # _____
In FIN send to 'COB CEQA' in CEO Dept

Journal Entry

Document Number: JE - 0279016
 Document Description: Processfee-Notice of Exemp-2025 Parking restriction in ag areas
 Post On: 3/5/2025

Batch ID: 3005486
 Processed On:
 Processed By:
 Created On: 3/5/2025 8:02:34 AM
 Created By: Lori Griffin-Lynch

References

Audit Trail: 03/05/25 Cash Type: I - Interfund

Accounting

Fund	Dept	GL Acct	LI Acct	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Prog	OUnit	Proj	Act	Area	Equip	Depositor	Description
0015	054	2810	7650	50.00		2110	0100	900900	1001				Processfee-Notice of Exemp-2025 Park Restr Ag area
0015		0110			50.00								Processfee-Notice of Exemption
0001		0110		50.00									Processfee-Notice of Exemption
0001	012	2710	5746		50.00	4020							Processfee-Notice of Exemption
			Total	100.00	100.00								

Signatures

Signed By	Approval Level	Department/Agency-Fund Group	Signed On	Valid
Lori Griffin-Lynch		054-Public Works	3/5/2025 8:33:38 AM	Y