

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Planning & Development, Energy & Minerals 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: 073-090-029

Case No.: N/A

Location: 6900 Devereux Way, Goleta, CA 93117

Projects Title: Approval of a contract for a Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund Grant for Coal Oil Point Reserve Education and Conservation Center

Projects Description: Approval of a Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund Grant in the amount of \$23,000 to the University of California, Santa Barbara, to renovate an existing 5,390 square-foot building, adjacent to the University of California, Santa Barbara's (UCSB) Coal Oil Point Reserve (COPR), into a new Education & Conservation Center.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: N/A
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: University of California, Santa Barbara

Exempt Status: (Check one)

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

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: 15378(b)(4)

Reasons to support exemption findings:

Approval of the contract to award a Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund Grant does not meet the definition of a "project" pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), which exempts government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Kathy Pfeifer Phone #: 568-2507

Department/Division Representative:  Date: September 13, 2016

Acceptance Date: _____

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Projects Title: Approval of a contract to award a Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund Grant for final construction drawings for the North Campus Open Space project

Projects Description: Approval of the contract to award a Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund Grant in the amount of \$18,000 toward final construction documents for the North Campus Open Space project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara
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