

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Public Works Department/Flood Control & Water Conservation District

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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.

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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

APN(s) : N/A Case No. N/A

Location: Santa Barbara County
(Include street address and cross street (if urbanized area) or attach specific location map)

Project Title: Flood Control Benefit Assessment Program for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Project Description: Annual Levy of Flood Control Benefit Assessment.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Santa Barbara County Flood Control District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Walter Rubalcava, Deputy Director

Exempt Status: (Check one)

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

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: Public Resources Code Section 21080 (b) (8). CEQA Section 15273 (a) 1, 2, 3, and 4. Rates, Fares, Tolls and Charges

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary)

Title 14 California Code of Regulations, Chapter 3, Article 18, CEQA Statutory Exemption Section 15273 states that CEQA does not apply to the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring, or approval of rates, tolls, fares, or other charges by public agencies which the public agency finds are for the purposes of: (1) Meeting operating expenses, including employee wage rates and fringe benefits, (2) Purchasing or leasing supplies, equipment, or materials, (3) meeting financial reserve needs and requirements, and (4) Obtaining funds for capital projects necessary to maintain service within existing services areas.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Walter Rubalcava Phone #: (805) 568-3436

Department/Division Representative: Andrew Raaf Date: April 16, 2025

Note: 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.



2025 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

County of Santa Barbara - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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(805) 568-2240

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 Andrew Raaf		Phone 805-722-7250	
Lead Agency Santa Barbara County Flood Control & Water Conservation District		Lead Agency Email ASRAAF@countyofsb.org	
Project Title Flood Control Benefit Assessment Program FY 2025-26			
Project Applicant Walter Rubalcava	Email wrubalc@countyofsb.org	Phone 805-568-3436	
Project Applicant Address 130 E. Victoria Street, STE 200	City Santa Barbara	State CA	Zip 93101

DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Determination - Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2025 Filing Fee	\$4,123.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Previously Paid (must attach receipt)	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect Determination (must be attached)	\$0.00
Environmental Filing Fees will be collected <i>only</i> for projects that are approved. The Applicant must attest to the following:	
<input type="checkbox"/> This project has been approved. Date of Approval: Click or tap to enter a date.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Determination - Negative Declaration (ND) or Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2025 Filing Fee	\$2,968.75
<input type="checkbox"/> Previously Paid (must attach receipt)	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> No Effect Determination (must be attached)	\$0.00
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Administrative Handling Fee (required for all filings, effective 7/19/18)	\$50.00

TOTAL: \$ 50.00

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

<input type="checkbox"/> Cash	<input type="checkbox"/> Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> Check # _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Journal Entry # <u>0281065</u>
In person only			In FIN send to 'COB CEQA' in CEO Dept



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:

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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY

Santa Barbara County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

ASRAAF@countyofsb.org

DATE

07/16/2025

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING

Santa Barbara

DOCUMENT NUMBER

PROJECT TITLE

Flood Control Benefit Assessment Program FY 2025-26

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

Walter Rubalcava

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

wrubalc@countyofsb.org

PHONE NUMBER

(805) 568-3436

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

130 E. Victoria Street, Suite 200

CITY

Santa Barbara

STATE

CA

ZIP CODE

93101

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,123.50	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,968.75	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,401.75	\$	0.00

☒ Exempt from fee

☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)

☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$850.00 \$ 0.00

☒ County documentary handling fee \$ 50.00

☐ Other \$

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☐ Check ☒ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 50.00

SIGNATURE

X *Katherine Douglas*

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Katherine Douglas, Deputy Clerk