

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Joddi Leipner, Public Works, Resource Recovery and Waste Management

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: Not Applicable

Case No.: Not Applicable

Location: Not Applicable

Project Title: Resolution for Cal Recycle Approving the Application for Grant Funds From The Solid Waste Disposal Site Cleanup Trust Fund for the Santa Ynez Airport Landfill Final Cover System

Project Description: Adoption of a resolution to authorize the submittal of an application to the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for a matching grant from the Solid Waste Disposal Site Cleanup Trust Fund for the construction of a final cover system (cap) at the Santa Ynez Airport Landfill (SYAL).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Mark Schleich, Deputy Director

Exempt Status: (Check one)

Not a project

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: 14CCR 15378(b) (4) (governmental funding mechanisms or fiscal activities).

Reasons to support exemption findings: The Board's actions to adopt a resolution and authorize submittal of a grant application to CalRecycle do not constitute a "Project" within the meaning CEQA but are for the purpose of establishing a funding mechanism. The project (Santa Ynez Airport Landfill Remediation Plan) for which the grant application is being submitted was the subject of a CEQA Notice of Exemption approved by the County Public Works Department and filed at the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors on June 8, 2005. The project was found to be categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15330 (Minor Actions to Prevent, Minimize, Mitigate or Eliminate the Release or Threat of Release of Hazardous Waste or Substances). The landfill site is highly disturbed and no

sensitive wildlife, plants or other resources are present. The landfill would be capped using material present at the airport site. No substantial changes in the project, the environmental conditions or anticipated impacts have occurred since the NOE was approved and filed in June 2005.

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Acceptance Date: January 10, 2012

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