

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services Department/Real Property Division

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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, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA.

APN(s) 128-066-005

Case No. Real Property File No. 003890

LOCATION: 1410 South Broadway, Santa Maria, CA 93454

PROJECT TITLE: Sublease with the Employment Development Department at America's Job Center, 1410 South Broadway in Santa Maria, CA 93454

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed action concerns the Sublease between Santa Barbara County and the State of California's Employment Development Department by extending it for an additional four years. Therefore, the action does not have the potential to affect the environment.

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)

- ☐ Ministerial
- ☐ Statutory
- ☒ X Categorical Exemption [Section §15301]
- ☐ Emergency Project
- ☐ No Possibility of a Significant Effect

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Sections: 15301, 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.

Reasons to support exemption findings: The proposed action is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15301 [*Existing Facilities*] of the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The CEQA Existing Facilities exemption at Section 15301 allows for 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, therefore, approval of this Sublease is exempt from CEQA in accordance with Section 1530.

With regard to the proposed project, the exceptions to the Existing Facilities categorical exemption that must be considered 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 in all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and official adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.*

Section 15301 is a Class 1 Categorical Exception; therefore, this exception is not applicable.

- (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.*

There are no successive projects of the same type in the same place anticipated for this location. Therefore, there are no cumulative impact.

- (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 County's proposed Sublease to continue the current use of this office space does not involve any unusual circumstances, and therefore will not result in a significant effect on the environment.

- (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 proposed project is in an existing building. There are no state scenic highways in the project area. This exception does not apply.

- (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.*

The proposed project is not located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. Therefore, it is not located on a hazardous waste site and this exception does not apply.

- (I) ***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.*

This proposed project does not involve any historical resources. This exception does not apply.

As described above, none of the exceptions to the categorical exemptions contained within Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines apply to this project.

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Department/Division Representative: Ted Teyber, General Services Assistant Director

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Department /Division Representative

12/2/25

Date

1-16-2025

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Project Title Sublease with the Employment Development Department at America's Job Center, 1410 South Broadway in Santa Maria, CA 93454 (Folio# 003890)			
Project Applicant Koren Howell	Email Koren.Howell@dgs.ca.gov	Phone (279) 799-3728 ext 144	
Project Applicant Address 707 Third Street, 5th Floor	City West Sacramento	State CA	Zip 95605

DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- ☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- ☐ 2023 Filing Fee\$3,839.25
- ☐ Previously Paid (must attach receipt) \$0.00
- ☐ No Effect Determination (must be attached)..... \$0.00

- ☐ Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration
- ☐ 2023 Filing Fee\$2,764.00
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- ☐ No Effect Determination (must be attached)..... \$0.00

- ☒ Notice of Exemption \$0.00

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

TOTAL: **\$ 50.00**

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- ☐ Cash ☐ Credit Card ☐ Check # _____ ☐ Journal Entry # **JE-0275977**
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01/16/2025

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Santa Barbara

DOCUMENT NUMBER

PROJECT TITLE

Sublease with the Employment Development Department at America's Job Center, 1410 South Broadway in Santa Maria, CA 93454 (Folio#003890)

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

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West Sacramento

STATE

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95605

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☐ Local Public Agency

☐ School District

☐ Other Special District

☐ State Agency

☒ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

\$4,123.50

\$

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☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)

\$2,968.75

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☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW

\$1,401.75

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☒ 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

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☒ County documentary handling fee

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☐ Other

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X *Katherine Douglas*

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