

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** General Services (Lead Agency)

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):** Various Case No. PO05040

**LOCATION:** The following County Government Campuses: Santa Barbara, Calle Real, Lompoc Civic, Lompoc Health, Betteravia, Foster Road and others as directed.

**PROJECT TITLE** Installation of (CTI) ChargePoint Stations

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This project will install electric vehicle charging stations known as ChargePoint Stations at various Santa Barbara County Government Campus locations. The station is affixed to a mounting pole and attached to a concrete footing within close proximity of existing parking lots that are within a short (25-foot) distance from existing County-owned buildings. An underground electrical and communications conduit is installed in a shallow trench from the charging station to the existing building, where the electrical wiring is connected to existing electrical services in the building and the communication wiring is connected to telephone service. The ChargePoint Stations will be open to the general public to re-charge their electrical vehicles on a fee-for-use basis.

**EXEMPT STATUS :(Check One)**

Ministerial

Statutory

**Categorical Exemption (15303 (D))**


Emergency Project

No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061 (b,3)].

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: Class 3, §15303 (D): Water mains, sewage, electrical, gas and other utility extensions, including street improvements, to serve individual customers.

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

The project is exempt because it extends existing utility services to minor equipment improvements in existing County-owned facilities. The installation of these ChargePoint electric car charge sites will not materially change the existing condition of affected parking lots, traffic flows or existing building operations, nor create adverse environmental impacts due to the minor trenching required to provide power and communication services to the ChargePoint Sites.

Department/Division Representative:   
Roy Hapeman, County Energy Manager

Date: 12/23/11

**NOTE:** A copy must be posted DERC 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.

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