

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

**FROM: Department of Public Works/Transportation Division**  
(Lead Department/Division)

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 (Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq.), as defined in the State CEQA Guidelines and County Revised CEQA Guidelines.

**APN(s)** N/A County owned Right of Way      **Project No.**    N/A

**LOCATION:** Fourth Supervisorial District

**PROJECT TITLE:** **Adopting Stop Controls, Parking Restrictions, & One-Way Roadway and Rescinding Parking Restrictions in the First, Second, and Fourth Supervisorial District**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Public Works requests the Board of Supervisors adopt the proposed Resolution to establish new stop controls, parking restrictions, and one-way road in the First, Second, and Fourth Supervisorial District.

## **Proposed Stop Controls**

Pursuant to County Code 23-1 and California Vehicle Code Sections 21354 and 21355 the Board of Supervisors may, by Resolution, designate any highway intersection under its jurisdiction as a stop-controlled intersection requiring stop signs to be installed at one or more entrances to the intersection. The California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices provides “Stop Controls” on entrances to intersections are warranted if engineering judgment indicates such controls are needed based on safety and the establishment of proper right-of-way.

- **San Ysidro Road at San Ysidro Lane - First Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed intersection control at San Ysidro Road and San Ysidro Lane in the First Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #1). This will stop all traffic entering the intersection. San Ysidro Road and San Ysidro Lane are both 24-foot wide roadways with little to no shoulder and no sidewalk or path for pedestrians other than the roadway. Public Works has determined this intersection warrants an all-way stop control to promote safety for those traveling through this intersection. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution an all-way “Stop Control” at San Ysidro Road and San Ysidro Lane in the Montecito area.

- **Mint Lane at Puente Drive - Second Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed intersection control at Mint Lane and Puente Drive in the Second Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #2). This will stop westbound vehicles on Mint Lane entering the intersection. Public Works has determined this intersection warrants stop control to promote safety and to provide clear right of way for

those traveling through this intersection. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution “Stop Control” at Mint Lane and Puente Drive in the Goleta Valley area.

- **Blosser Road at Solomon Rd/Old Mill Lane - Fourth Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed intersection control at Blosser Road and Solomon Road/Old Mill Lane in the Fourth Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #3). This will stop all traffic entering the intersection. Public Works has determined this intersection warrants an all-way stop control to promote safety and improve the level of service for those traveling through this intersection. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution all-way “Stop Control” at Blosser Road and Solomon Road/Old Mill Lane in the Orcutt area.

**Proposed Parking Restrictions**

Pursuant to County Code 23-11 permitted by California Vehicle Code Sections 22507 and 22507.5 the Board of Supervisors, by Resolution may regulate vehicle parking on certain streets or highways, or portions thereof, during all or certain hours of the day.

- **Tunnel Road – First Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed parking restriction on Tunnel Road in the First Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #9). Tunnel Road is 22-foot wide two-lane roadway with varying paved and dirt shoulder width. A popular trailhead at the north terminus of Tunnel Road generates a high demand for parking on certain days. The increase in popularity of the hiking trail has vehicles parking over a half mile away. The proposed parking restriction is for the east side (inside) of the 180 degree turn on Tunnel Road. There is not sufficient shoulder width to allow a pedestrian path and adequate sight distance for drivers when vehicles are parked at this location. The proposed parking restriction will improve safety of motorist and for pedestrians. The proposed restriction will remove approximately 7 parking spaces. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following parking restriction:

- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the east side of Tunnel Road from 660 feet north of the centerline Memory Lane to 830 feet north of the centerline of Memory Lane.

- **San Simeon Drive - Second Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed parking restriction on San Simeon Drive in the Second Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #4). The intersection of San Simeon Drive and Turnpike Road is controlled by a stop sign for eastbound vehicles on San Simeon Drive. A marked school crosswalk crosses San Simeon Drive at the intersection. Due to high demand for on-street parking on San Simeon Drive, parked vehicles will park in close proximity to the crosswalk restricting the sight distance of drivers to see pedestrians entering the crosswalk and impede turning movements of vehicles at the intersection. Designating a no parking zone will provide clear direction for drivers parking their vehicles and improve safety. The proposed parking restriction will eliminate 2 parking spots. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following parking restriction:

- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the north and south side of San Simeon Drive from the intersection of San Simeon Drive and Turnpike Road to a point 50 feet west of the intersection of San Simeon Drive and Turnpike Road.

- **San Gordiano Avenue - Second Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed parking restriction on San Gordiano Avenue in the Second Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #4). The intersection of San Gordiano Avenue and Turnpike Road is controlled by a traffic signal with marked school crosswalks on all legs of the intersection. Due to high demand for on-street parking on San Gordiano Avenue, parked vehicles will park in close proximity to the crosswalk restricting the sight distance of drivers to see pedestrians entering the crosswalk and impede the turning movements of vehicles at the intersection. Designating a no parking zone will provide clear direction for drivers parking their vehicles and improve safety. The proposed parking restriction will eliminate 3 parking spots. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following parking restriction:

- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the north and south side of San Gordiano Avenue from the intersection of San Gordiano Avenue and Turnpike Road to a point 50 feet west of the intersection of San Gordiano Avenue and Turnpike Road.

- **Camino De Vida - Second Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board rescind and adopt the proposed parking restrictions on Camino De Vida in the Second Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #4). The intersection of Camino De Vida and Turnpike Road is controlled by a stop sign for eastbound vehicles on Camino De Vida. The intersection of Camino De Vida and Turnpike Road has a marked school crosswalk crossing Camino De Vida. Due to high demand for on-street parking on Camino De Vida, parked vehicles will park in close proximity to the crosswalk restricting the sight distance of drivers to see pedestrians entering the crosswalk and impede the turning movements of vehicles at the intersection. Designating a no parking zone will provide clear direction for drivers parking their vehicles and improve safety. The proposed parking restriction will have a net zero change in parking supply. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following parking restriction and rescind the following parking restriction:

- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the north and south side of Camino De Vida from the intersection of Camino De Vida and Turnpike Road to a point 50 feet west of the intersection of Camino De Vida and Turnpike Road.
- Remove by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the north side of Camino De Vida between the centerline of Turnpike Road and a point 110 feet south of the centerline of Turnpike Road.

- **Vala Drive - Second Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board rescind and adopt the proposed parking restrictions on Vala Drive in the Second Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #5). Vala Drive from Cathedral Oaks Road to Yapple Avenue is a 34-foot wide roadway with no fronting houses and no posted speed limit. Designating a no parking zone on both sides will

provide adequate width for two vehicle travel lanes and two class II bike lanes for cyclist, improve safety, and will not impact parking demand. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following parking restrictions and rescind the following parking restriction:

- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the east and west side of Vala Drive from Cathedral Oaks Road to 40 feet south of the centerline of Yaple Avenue.
- Approve by resolution a “No Parking 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. Zone” on the east side of Vala Drive from 40 feet south of the centerline of Yaple Avenue to the centerline of La Ramada Drive.
- Remove by resolution a “No Parking 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. Zone” on east side of Vala Drive from Cathedral Oaks Road to La Ramada Drive.
- Remove by resolution a “No Parking 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. Zone” on the west side of Vala Drive from the centerline of Cathedral Oaks Road to the centerline of Yaple Drive.

- **Las Palmas Drive - Second Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed parking restriction on Las Palmas Drive in the Second Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #6). Las Palmas Drive is 24-foot roadway with varying width of dirt shoulder that does not provide adequate width for safe parking. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following parking restriction:

- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the east and west side of Las Palmas Drive from the centerline of Via Cayente to the centerline of Via Bendita.

- **Hillview Road - Fourth Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed parking restrictions on Hillview Road in the Fourth Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #7). The intersection of Hillview Road and Winter Road is a three-legged intersection where Winter Road terminates at Hillview Road. Winter Road is controlled by a stop sign while the posted speed limit on Hillview Road is 25 mph. Due to the proximity of the on-street parking east of Hillview Road, parked vehicles restrict the sight distance of drivers at the stop sign on Winter Road. Santa Maria Way is a street at close proximity of Winter Road, restricting the sight distance at the stop sign on Winter Road, from vehicles coming from Santa Maria Way onto Hillview Road. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following parking restrictions:

- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the west side of Hillview Road from the centerline of Santa Maria Way to a point 68’ south of the centerline of Winter Road.
- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the east side of Hillview Road from 50 feet south of the centerline of Winter Road to the centerline of Santa Maria Way.

- **Foster Road - Fourth Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed parking restriction on Foster Road in the Fourth Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #8). The intersection of Hillview Road and Foster Road is a three-legged intersection where Hillview Road terminates at Foster Road. Hillview Road is controlled by a stop sign while the posted speed limit on

Foster Road is 40 mph. On the north side of Foster road, there is currently 100 feet of no parking west of Hillview Road due to a bus stop, and on-street parking allowed east of Hillview Road. Due to the proximity of the on-street parking east of Hillview Road, parked vehicles restrict the sight distance of drivers at the stop sign on Hillview Road. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following parking restriction:

- Approve by resolution a “No Parking Zone” on the north side of Foster Road from the centerline of Hillview Road to a point 117’ east of the centerline of Hillview Road.

### **Proposed One-Way Roadway**

Pursuant to County Code 23-1 permitted by California Vehicle Code Sections 21657 the Board of Supervisors, by Resolution may designate any highway, roadway, part of roadway, or specific lanes upon which vehicular traffic shall proceed in one direction at all or such times as shall be indicated by official traffic control devices.

- **San Simeon Drive - Second Supervisorial District**

Public Works recommends that your Board adopt the proposed one-way section with exemption for bicycles on San Simeon Drive between San Angelo Avenue and 300 feet west of the centerline of San Angelo Avenue in the Second Supervisorial District (Vicinity Map #4). San Simeon Drive between San Angelo Avenue and 300 feet west of the centerline of San Angelo Avenue of San Simeon has 17 feet of right of way which 12 to 14 feet is paved for vehicles. The south side of the roadway has sidewalk and the north side has some dirt shoulder. The roadway terminates to the west with a multi-use path continuing to the west and a driveway on the south side for access to a commercial center. The width of the roadway does not allow two vehicles to pass safely. Designating a one-way roadway with bicycles exempt on this section of roadway will not restrict access to the multi-use path nor the commercial center. Public Works recommends that your Board approve by resolution the following restriction:

- Approve by resolution a “One-Way Roadway” for eastbound vehicles (bicycles exempt) on San Simeon Drive between San Angelo Avenue and 300 feet west of the centerline of San Angelo Avenue.

The Public Works Department prepared the attached Resolution to rescind or adopt the various traffic control at the following locations:

### **SECOND DISTRICT – Unincorporated area of Goleta Valley**

#### **RESCIND**

#### **No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Zone**

- On the north side of Camino De Vida between the centerline of Turnpike Road and a point 110 feet south of the centerline of Turnpike Road.

#### **No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Zone (2:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m.)**

- On the west side of Vala Drive from the centerline of Cathedral Oaks Road to the centerline of Yapple Drive.

- On the east side of Vala Drive from the centerline of Cathedral Oaks Road to the centerline of La Ramada Drive.

**FIRST DISTRICT – Unincorporated area of Montecito**

**ADOPT**

**Stop Control**

- Stop all traffic entering the intersection of San Ysidro Road and San Ysidro Lane.

**No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Zone**

- On the east side of Tunnel Road from 660 feet north of the centerline of Memory Lane to 830 feet north of the centerline of Memory Lane.

**SECOND DISTRICT – Unincorporated area of Goleta Valley**

**ADOPT**

**No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Zone**

- On the north and south side of San Simeon Drive from the intersection of San Simeon Drive and Turnpike Road to a point 50 feet west of the intersection of San Simeon Drive and Turnpike Road.
- On the north and south side of San Gordiano Avenue from the intersection of San Gordiano Avenue and Turnpike Road to a point 50 feet west of the intersection of San Gordiano Avenue and Turnpike Road.
- On the north and south side of Camino De Vida from the intersection of Camino De Vida and Turnpike Road to a point 50 feet west of the intersection of Camino De Vida and Turnpike Road.
- On the east and west side of Vala Drive from Cathedral Oaks Road to 40 feet south of the centerline of Yapple Avenue.
- On the east and west side of Las Palmas Drive from the centerline of Via Cayente to the centerline of Via Bendita.

**No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Zone (2:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m.)**

- On the east side of Vala Drive from 40 feet south of the centerline of Yapple Avenue to the centerline of La Ramada Drive.

**Stop Control**

- Stop westbound traffic on Mint Lane entering the intersection of Puente Drive and Mint Lane.

**One-Way Roadway**

- Only allow eastbound vehicles (bicycles exempt) on San Simeon Drive between San Angelo Avenue and 300 feet west of the centerline of San Angelo Avenue.

**FOURTH DISTRICT – Unincorporated area of Orcutt**

**ADOPT**

**No Stopping, Standing, or Parking Zone**

- On the north side of Foster Road from the centerline of Hillview Road to a point 117’ east of the centerline of Hillview Road.
- On the west side of Hillview Road from the centerline of Santa Maria Way to a point 68’ south of the centerline of Winter Road.
- On the east side of Hillview Road from 50 feet south of the centerline of Winter Road to the centerline of Santa Maria Way.

**Stop Control**

- Stop all traffic entering the intersection of Blosser Road and Solomon Road/Old Mill Lane.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Public Works Transportation Division

**Exempt Status: (Check one)**

- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption {15301(c)}
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency

**Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: 15301(c) 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. The types of “existing facilities” itemized below are not intended to be all inclusive of the types of projects which might fall within Class 1. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use. Examples include but are not limited to: (c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety).

**Reasons to support exemption findings:** Consistent with this exemption, the proposed project involves a change in parking designations, stop controls and one-way roadway as an effective method for improving traffic safety and circulation. Such are established based upon safety, sight distance restrictions, necessity and how it relates to the use by the community as a whole. The project allows for a public safety activity designed to maintain a safe traveling condition of the highway facility as it was

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constructed. Further, there are no unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect. Therefore, the project can be found to be categorically exempt from CEQA.

There is no substantial evidence that there are unusual circumstances (including future activities) resulting in (or which might reasonably result in) significant impacts which threaten the environment. The exceptions to the categorical exemptions 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 all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.**

CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 is a Class 1 exemption; therefore, this exception does not apply.

- (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.**

The project involves changes to areas on existing public roads. In addition, there are no other identified projects which would contribute to cumulative impacts. Therefore, this exception does not apply.

- (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 project involves a routine updating of parking regulations and public safety improvements on public roads. Therefore, this exception does not apply.

- (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 project does not involve a scenic highway or a project which may result in damage to a scenic resource, removal of trees, rock outcropping or similar resource.



- (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.**

There are no hazardous wastes site locations on public roads. Therefore, this exception does not apply.

- (f) **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.**

The roadways involved are not identified as a historical resource. In addition, changes in roadway parking regulations would not involve any structural modifications to existing facilities. Therefore, this exception does not apply.

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Department/Division Representative: Kalani Durham, Environmental Coordinator

Acceptance Date: **December 12, 2023**

Distribution: Hearing Support Staff for posting

<u><i>Kalani Durham</i></u>	<u>November 14, 2023</u>
<b>Kalani Durham</b>	Date
Department Representative	

**NOTE:** A copy of this document must be posted 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.

Distribution: Date Filed by County Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_.

# VICINITY MAP 1

San Ysidro Road at San Ysidro Lane  
In the unincorporated area of Montecito

EXISTING  
Stop Control



EXISTING  
Stop Control



SAN YSIDRO LANE



ADD NEW  
Stop Control

SAN YSIDRO ROAD



# VICINITY MAP 2

Mint Lane at Puente Drive  
In the unincorporated area of Goleta Valley

PUENTE PLAZA

ADD NEW  
Stop Control

MINT LANE

PUETE DRIVE



# VICINITY MAP 3

(Blosser Rd at Solomon Rd / Old Mill Ln)  
in the unincorporated area of Orcutt

ADD NEW  
stop control



BLOSSER RD

EXISTING  
stop control



OLD MILL LN

SOLOMON RD

EXISTING  
stop control



BLOSSER RD

ADD NEW  
stop control



# VICINITY MAP 4

San Simeon Dr., San Gorgiano Av., and Camino De Vida  
In the unincorporated area of Goleta Valley

CAMINO DE VIDA

TURNPIKE ROAD

SAN GORGIANO AV.

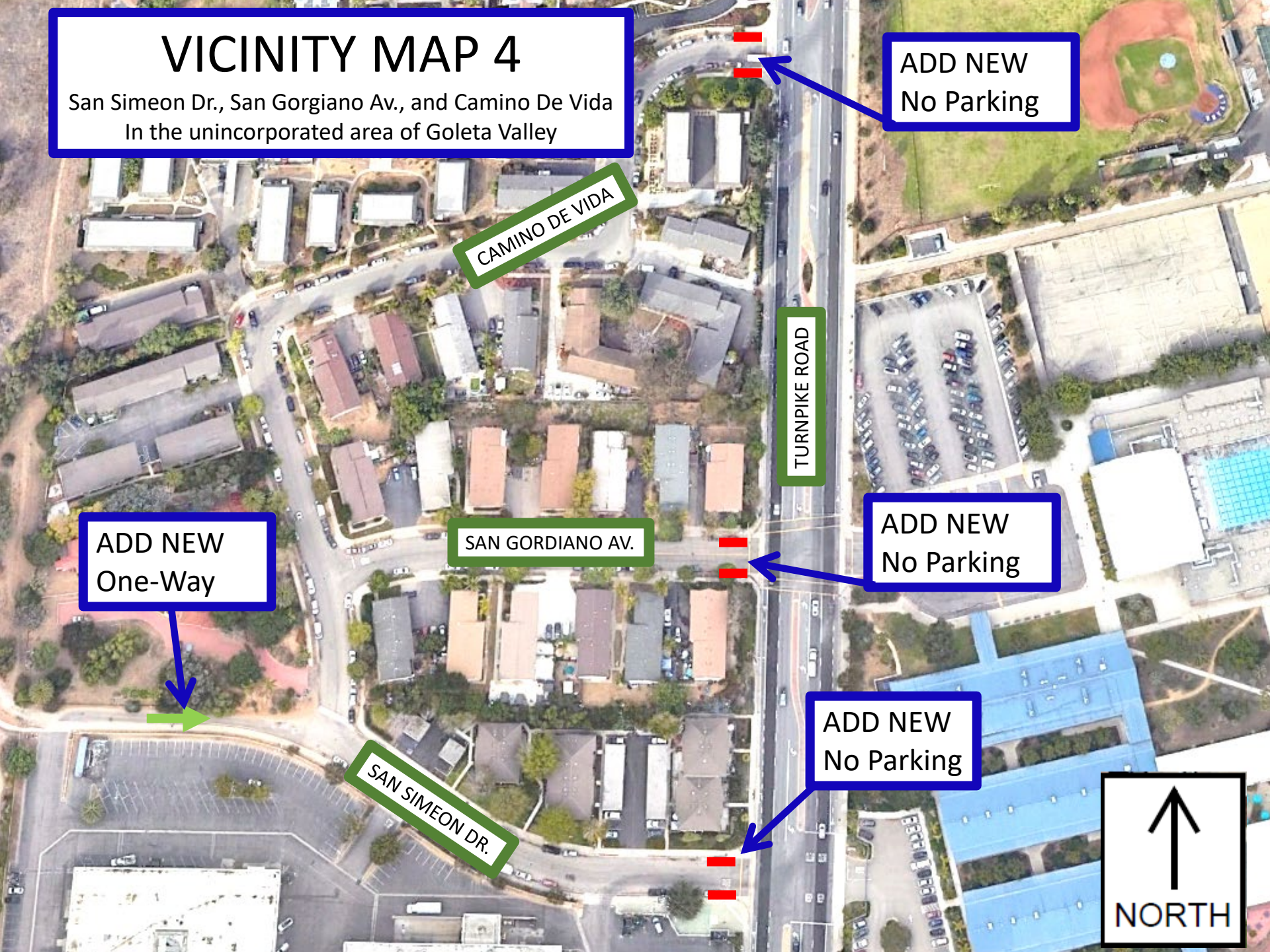
SAN SIMEON DR.

ADD NEW  
One-Way

ADD NEW  
No Parking

ADD NEW  
No Parking

ADD NEW  
No Parking



# VICINITY MAP 5

Vala Drive

In the unincorporated area of Goleta Valley

TURNPIKE ROAD

ADD NEW  
No Parking

ADD NEW  
No Parking

YAPLE AVE

VALA DRIVE

EXISTING TO REMAIN  
No Parking 2 a.m. to 6 a.m.

TURNPIKE ROAD

LA RAMADA DRIVE



# VICINITY MAP 6

Las Palmas Drive

In the unincorporated area of Goleta Valley

ADD NEW  
No Parking

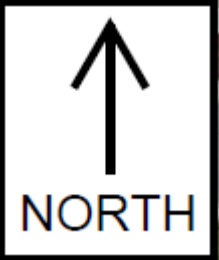
ADD NEW  
No Parking

VIA CAYENTE

LAS PALMAS DRIVE

LAS PALMAS DRIVE

VIA BENDITA



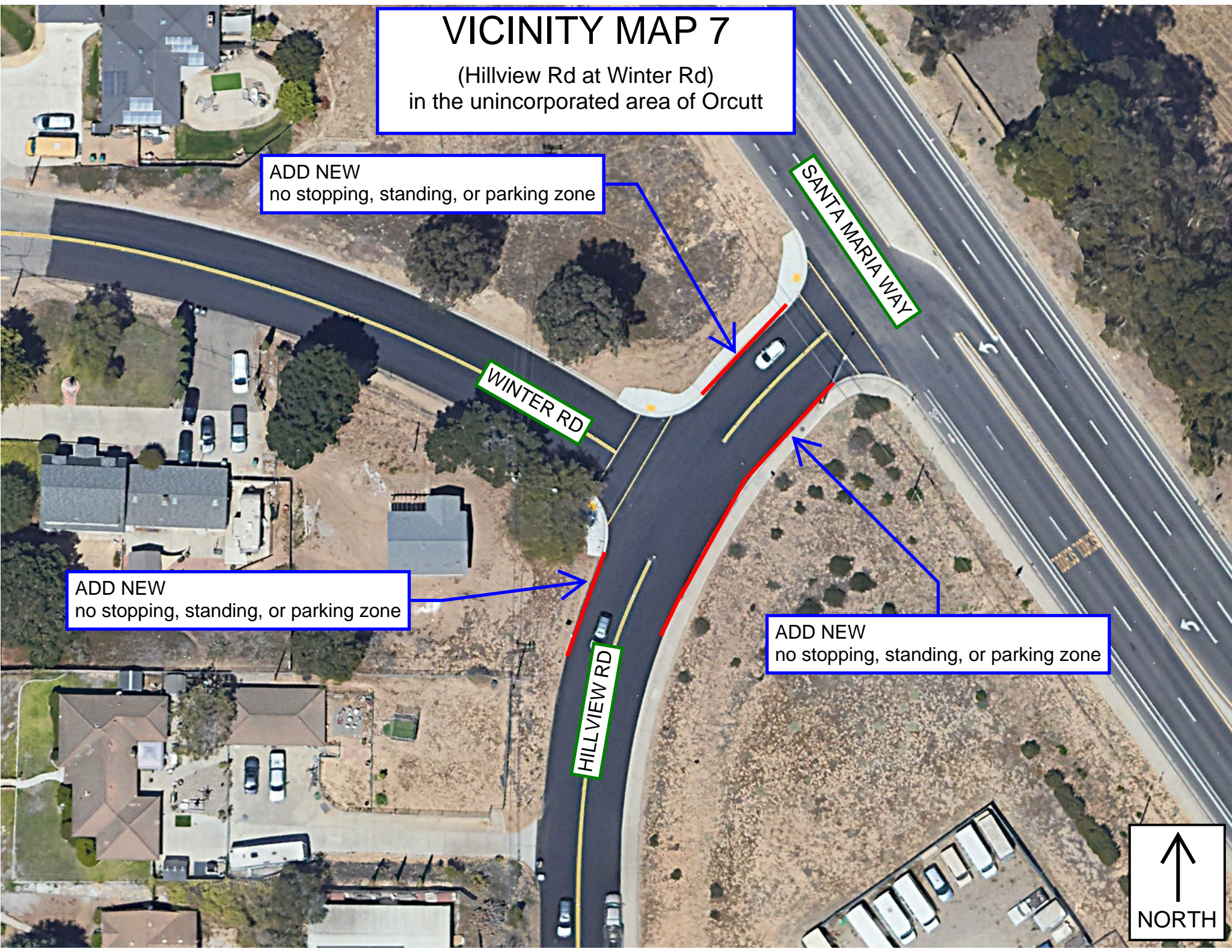
# VICINITY MAP 7

(Hillview Rd at Winter Rd)  
in the unincorporated area of Orcutt

ADD NEW  
no stopping, standing, or parking zone

ADD NEW  
no stopping, standing, or parking zone

ADD NEW  
no stopping, standing, or parking zone





# VICINITY MAP 8

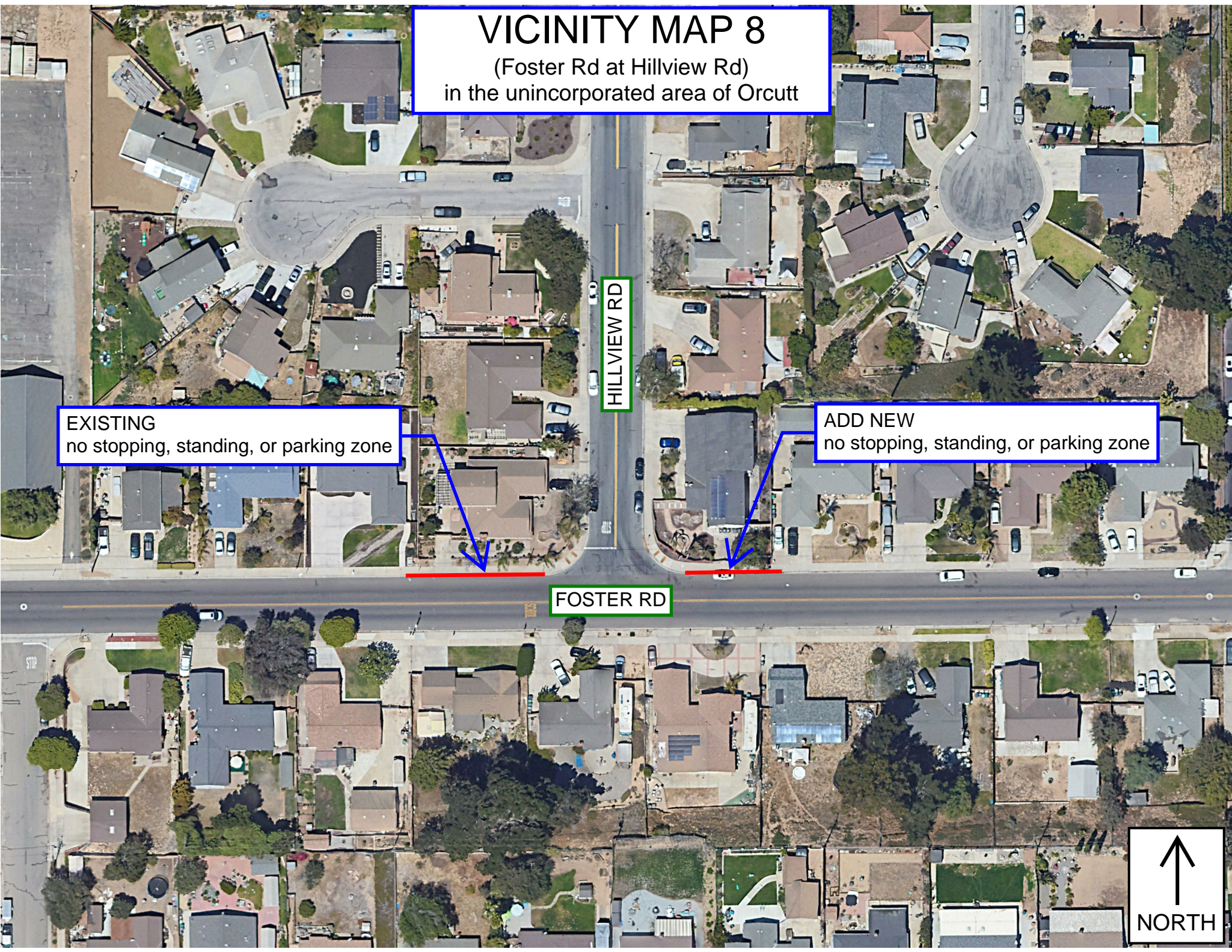
(Foster Rd at Hillview Rd)  
in the unincorporated area of Orcutt

HILLVIEW RD

EXISTING  
no stopping, standing, or parking zone

ADD NEW  
no stopping, standing, or parking zone

FOSTER RD



# VICINITY MAP 9

Tunnel Road

In the unincorporated area of Mission Canyon

HOLLY ROAD

ADD NEW  
No Parking

MEMORY LANE

TUNNEL ROAD

