

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services Department/Real Property 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, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA.

APN(s) 083-510-064, and portions of 083-510-063 and -065

Case No. Real Property File No. 003865

LOCATION: Dangermond Preserve property, adjacent to Jalama Beach County Park

PROJECT TITLE: County Acceptance of Offer to Dedicate 35-acre Portion of Dangermond Preserve from The Nature Conservancy to the County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed action is for approval and execution of the Dedication Agreement and Escrow Instructions between the County and The Nature Conservancy, for the County's acceptance of an approximately 35-acre portion of the Dangermond Preserve property, to be used for habitat conservation, restoration, public access, and passive public recreation.

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- Categorical Exemption [Sections 15316]
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 14 CCR Section 15316 of the CEQA Guidelines (Transfer of Ownership in Land to Create Parks)

Reasons to support exemption findings: Section 15316 of the CEQA Guidelines provides a categorical exemption from further CEQA review for the acquisition, sale, or other transfer of land in order to establish a park where the land is in a natural condition, and a management plan has not been prepared. The land is in a natural condition and no management plan for the park has been prepared, thus this project is exempt from environmental review as stated in CEQA Guidelines Section 15316 (a).

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NOTE: A copy of this document must be posted with the County's Planning and Development Department 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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Department /Division Representative 3/21/19 Date