

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

**TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**  
**FROM: General Services Department and Department of Public Works**

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)** 113-250-002 & 113-250-018 **Case No. File No.** 003745

**LOCATION:** portion of Airox Road, near the City of Santa Maria, Santa Barbara County

**PROJECT TITLE:** Proposed Vacation of Portion of Airox Road Right-of-Way, Santa Maria; Third District

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** County vacation of an easement interest in a portion of Airox Road across APN's 113-250-002 and 113-250-018 as shown on the attached map. The purpose of vacating the Airox Road right-of-way ("ROW") is to remove the County's interest in and liability for unused and unneeded County ROW, and to allow the property owner and applicant to remove this encumbrance from title to their property.

**NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT:** County of Santa Barbara

**NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Don Grady, General Services

**EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)**

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect/[Sec.15061(b)(3)]

**Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section:** 15061(b)(3). The activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.

**Reasons to support exemption findings:** The County's proposed vacation of the subject ROW easement and removal of this encumbrance from title to the property is a paper transaction that will not result in physical impacts or changes to the environment. The subject ROW is a "paper road" that has not been improved or maintained by the Public Works Department's Transportation Division. The vacation of the County's ROW will not in and of itself result in any changes to the land.

**LOCAL AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Don Grady

**PHONE NUMBER:** (805) 568-3065

  
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Department/Division Representative

  
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Date

**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.

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**ROADWAY ABANDONMENT FOR A PORTION OF AIROX ROAD  
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CA.**

