

**ATTACHMENT C  
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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

**FROM:** David Billesbach, Planning and Development Department

The project or activity identified below 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.

**Location:** U.S. Route 101, Postmile 40.98

**Project Title:** Arroyo Hondo Bridge Historic Landmark Determination

**Project Description:** Disapproval by the Board of Supervisors of the designation by the County of Santa Barbara Historic Landmarks Advisory Commission of Arroyo Hondo Bridge, located on U.S. Route 101, postmile 40.98, Third Supervisorial District, as a County Historic Landmark.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

**Exempt Status:**

☐ Ministerial  
☒ Statutory Exemption  
☐ Categorical Exemption  
☐ Emergency Project  
☐ Declared Emergency

**Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guidelines Section:** Section 15270(a) [Projects Which are Disapproved] of the Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

**Reasons to support exemption findings:** CEQA Guidelines Section 15270 states that "CEQA does not apply to projects which a public agency rejects or disapproves." The project is disapproved and therefore exempt from environment review per State CEQA Guidelines Section 15270.

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Arroyo Hondo Bridge Historic Landmark Designation  
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**Date:** March 4, 2025

**Acceptance Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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