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**CEQA Notice of Exemption for County
Project No. 20033, approved and filed on
October 10, 2023**

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Community Services Department

The projects or activities identified below are 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): 145-160-072 **Case No.:** N/A

Location: Lake Cachuma, 2225 Highway 154, Santa Barbara, CA, 93105

Project Title: Cachuma RV Area Renovation

Project Description: This project involves the demolition and replacement of the existing underground utilities, concrete RV pads, fencing, asphalt road and restroom/shower facility in areas within the same general footprint of existing. Minor grading, trenching and site work will occur to accommodate the renovated utilities and facilities. All required utility services are currently present. Landscape and recreational improvements will occur with existing mature landscaping protected in-place.

Exempt Status:

☒ Categorical Exemption

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section(s): 15302, 15304 & 15301

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

CEQA Guideline Section 15302 Class 2 consists of the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

CEQA Guideline Section 15304 Class 4 consists of minor alterations in the condition of the land, water and/or vegetation, including the replacement of existing conventional landscaping with water efficient landscaping, which does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

CEQA Guideline Section 15301 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 existing use.

While certain areas of the 6,455-acre Cachuma Lake Park contain archaeological and biological areas of sensitivity, the immediate area where the RV campground is located does not, is well disturbed and has been for decades. The utilities already exist underground and the project limits will contain the new ground disturbance. The exemption is not limited by factors set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 as the maintenance activities are a Class 1 exemption, do not have a cumulative impact, significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances, impact on a scenic highway(s), nor impact on historical resources, and the maintenance activities are not on a hazardous waste site.

Department/Division Representative _____

Jill Van Wie

Date August 31, 2023

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Jill Van Wie

Note: A copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days.

Copies to: File

Date File of Counter Clerks



2021 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

County of Santa Barbara - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

105 E. Anapamu St. Room 407 ♦ Santa Barbara ♦ CA ♦ 93101

(805) 568-2240

Complete this form when filing a Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, Environmental Impact Report or Notice of Exemption.

You will need to submit one original for posting plus one copy for the Department of Fish & Wildlife. A scanned copy including the date/time of posting will be emailed to the Lead Agency and Project Applicant. If you would like a return copy, please submit an extra copy along with a pre-addressed, stamped envelope.

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| Contact Person Jill Van Wie | | Phone 805-568-2470 | |
| Lead Agency Santa Barbara County Community Services Dpt | | Lead Agency Email jvanwie@co.santa-barbara.ca.us | |
| Project Title Cachuma RV Area Renovation | | | |
| Project Applicant same as above | Email | Phone | |
| Project Applicant Address 123 E. Anapamu St., 2nd Floor | City Santa Barbara | State CA | Zip 93101 |

DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- ☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- ☐ 2021 Filing Fee\$3,445.25
- ☐ Previously Paid (**must attach receipt**) \$0.00
- ☐ No Effect Determination (**must be attached**)..... \$0.00

- ☐ Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration
- ☐ 2021 Filing Fee\$2,480.25
- ☐ Previously Paid (**must attach receipt**) \$0.00
- ☐ No Effect Determination (**must be attached**)..... \$0.00

- ☒ Notice of Exemption \$0.00

- ☒ County Administrative Handling Fee (**required for all filings, effective 7/19/18**) \$50.00

TOTAL: **\$ 50.00**

PAYMENT METHOD: ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING

☐ Cash ☐ Credit Card ☐ Check # _____ ☒ Journal Entry # **0249054**