## 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, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA.

APN(s): 103-750-038 Case No.: Real Property File No. R-337

LOCATION: Portion of Clark Avenue at Stillwell Road, Orcutt, County of Santa Barbara

PROJECT TITLE: Abandonment and Sale of a portion of Clark Avenue adjacent to APN 103-750-038

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: County abandonment, vacation and sale of a fee interest in a portion of Clark Avenue abutting APN 103-750-038 as shown on the attached map (herein the "ROW"). The purpose of transferring the ROW is to allow it to be merged with APN 103-750-038 (herein the "Property"), thereby moving the northern Property line north to match the existing Clark Avenue road infrastructure.

- \_\_\_ Ministerial
  - \_\_ Statutory
- X Categorical Exemption [Sec. 15312]
- \_\_\_ Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061(b,3)]

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15312 (Surplus Government Property Sales) - "... The area of fee ownership proposed for transfer lies adjacent to the traveled Clark Avenue (a paved public road) and does not have significant value(s) for wildlife habitat or other environmental purposes, and it is of such a size and shape that it is incapable of independent development or use."

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary): The subject right-of-way ("ROW") is unused & the County has no plans to expand the size of the roads in that area. The County's proposed vacation and sale of the subject ROW is a minor alteration of the existing roadway and is therefore contemplated under CEQA section 15312. The vacation of the easement and transfer of fee will relieve the County of current and future road, streetlight and landscape maintenance, water and weed abatement costs and will have no impact on the existing street or public use thereof. The owner of the Property has agreed to use the subject ROW to create open space and a turn pocket in front of their proposed commercial center.

Department Representative 1/73/10

NOTE: A copy of this document must be posted with the County's Planning & 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 statue of limitations on legal challenges.

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