

**To:** Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**From:** Santa Barbara County Public Health

**Date:** May 19, 2022

**Subject:** Request to Continue Item: Environmental Health Fee Resolution related to Water Wells and Private Water Systems

**CC:** Mona Miyasato, CEO  
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Rachel Van Mullem, County Counsel

The Public Health Department respectfully requests that the Fee Resolution listed in the below recommended actions be continued from the May 24, 2022 Agenda to the June 28, 2022 Agenda, due to the exigencies with regards to the Urgency Ordinance and insufficient time to publish notice of the hearing for the Fee Resolution. Published notice of hearing is not required for the urgency ordinance.

The following recommended actions are amended as follows:

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Pursuant to California Government Code sections 25123(d) and 25131 and the California Executive Order N-7-22, adopt an Urgency Ordinance to amend Chapter 34A of County Code in order to implement changes to the process for water well permitting in accordance with California Executive Order N-7-22 until the County's Proclamation of Local Emergency Caused by Drought Conditions is terminated and the Executive Order, as may be superseded, is rescinded (Attachment A); and
- b) Read the title and waive further reading of Urgency Ordinance; and
- c) ~~Adopt a Resolution amending fees for Environmental Health Services relating to Water Wells and Private Water Systems (Attachment B); and~~

Determine that adoption of the Urgency Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c), 15061(b)(3), 15307, and 15378(b)(5), ~~and that approval of the Fee Resolution is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 21080(b)(8)(A) and (B) and CEQA Guidelines section 15273 because fees will be used for operating expenses and for the purchase of supplies, equipment, and materials~~ and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption on that basis (Attachments ~~C and D~~).

Please contact our department if you have any questions or concerns.