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Attachment 2

# **ATTACHMENT 2**

CEQA Notice of Exemption



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# 2021 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

### County of Santa Barbara - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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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.

Contact Person					
Patrick Zuroske			(805) 568-3096		
Lead Agency			Lead Agency Email		
General Services Department			pzuroske@countyofsb.org		
Project Title					
GS 21010 - Calle Real Mast	er Plan Programmatic E	:IR			
Project Applicant Email		Phone			
Ashton Ellis	aellis@countyofsb.org	916-	916-718-6922		
Project Applicant Address	City	State	Zip		
Calle Real Campus	Santa Barbara	CA	93110		
DO	CUMENT BEING FILED:				
☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)					
□2021 Filing Fee\$3,44					
☐ Previously Paid (must attach receipt)			\$0.00		
☐ No Effect Determination ( <b>must be attached</b> )			\$0.00		
☐ Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative De	eclaration				
□2021 Filing Fee\$2					
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■ Notice of Exemption			\$0.00		
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PAYMENT METHOD: ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING

■ Journal Entry #\_\_\_\_JE0245974

## **NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, LEAD AGENCY

Clerk of the Board-Filing Date

Based on a review of the project and project description, the following activity is determined as indicated below. Specific findings are indicated below and environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA are included, if applicable.

APN(s) (or N/A): <u>059-140-029</u> Case No. <u>GSD-02212023-21010-0001</u>

(current date, project# and NOE number for this project)

LOCATION(city/unincorporated area/NA): Calle Real Campus, Santa Barbara

PROJECT TITLE: <u>Calle Real Campus Master Plan Programmatic Environmental Impact</u>
Report Project

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the Calle Real Campus Master Plan is to provide the County, responsible agencies, trustee agencies, and the public with detailed information about potential project-specific and cumulative environmental impacts associated with a series of proposed activities in connection with the Calle Real Master Plan. The selected environmental firm shall complete and provide to the County all associated tasks, coordination, labor and materials required to develop a comprehensive PEIR pursuant to CEQA and in conformance with the State CEQA Guidelines.

#### **DETERMINATION:**

□ NOT A PROJECT (§15378): A project as defined by CEQA is one in which the whole of the action has a potential for resulting in either a direct or indirect physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. The action described above has been determined by the Lead Agency to not be a Project under CEQA. No further environmental review is required.

**EXEMPT STATUS:** (Check Only One)

☐ Ministerial (§15369)

☐ Statutory (§15260)

☑ Categorical Exemption (§15354)

☐ Emergency Project (§15359)

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Sub-Section(s) §15301(c)

### FINDINGS TO SUPPORT DETERMINATION:

This project do not constitute a project subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15306, as the actions consist of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource, and Section 15378(b)(4), as the actions are the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project, and Section 15378(b)(5), as the actions are the organizational and administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

The exceptions to the Existing Facilities categorical exemption that must be considered pursuant to Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines are:

(a) Location. Classes 3,4,5,6, and 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located – a project that is ordinarily insignificant in its impact on the environment may in a particularly sensitive environment be significant. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply in all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and official adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.

Section 15306 Class 3 project consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource-valuation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. These may be strictly for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved, adopted, or funded. Any sensitive environments will be addressed in the development of the programmatic EIR.

(b)Cumulative Impact. All exemptions for these classes are inapplicable when the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant.

Section 15306 consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. These may be strictly for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved, adopted, or funded. The programmatic EIR will identify the cumulative impact of successive projects over time.

(c)Significant Effect. A categorical exemption shall not be used for an activity where there is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.

The performance of work related to collecting data and conducting research for the development of the programmatic EIR will not result in any physical changes or impacts to the environment and therefore will not result in a significant effect on the environment.

(d)Scenic Highways. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway. This does not apply to improvements which are required as mitigation by an adopted negative declaration or certified EIR.

There are no state scenic highways in the project area. This exception does not apply.

(e)Hazardous Waste Sites. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

This proposed project is not located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. Therefore, it is not located on a hazardous waste site and this exception does not apply.

(f)Historical Resources. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

The proposed project does not involve historical resources. This exception does not apply.

As described above, none of the exceptions to the categorical exemptions contained within Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines apply to this project.

**DISTRIBUTION:** File, Clerk of the Board

Patrick Zuroske, Assistant Director General Services

Department/Division Representative (print & sign name)

Patrick Euroske

3/8/2023 | 9:09 AM PST

Date

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**NOTE**: A copy must be posted 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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GS 21010 - Calle Real Master Plan Programn	natic EIR					
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Ashton Ellis	aellis@countyofsb.d	aellis@countyofsb.org			(916) 7186922	
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☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)			\$3,839.25	· <del>-</del>		
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#### NOTICE

Each project applicant shall remit to the county clerk the environmental filing fee before or at the time of filing a Notice of Determination (Pub. Resources Code, § 21152; Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subdivision (d); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5). Without the appropriate fee, statutory or categorical exemption, or a valid No Effect Determination issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the Notice of Determination is not operative, vested, or final, and shall not be accepted by the county clerk.

#### **COUNTY DOCUMENTARY HANDLING FEE**

The county clerk may charge a documentary handling fee of fifty dollars (\$50) per filing in addition to the environmental filing fee (Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subd. (e); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5, subd. (g)(1)). A county board of supervisors shall have the authority to increase or decrease the fee or charge, that is otherwise authorized to be levied by another provision of law, in the amount reasonably necessary to recover the cost of providing any product or service or the cost of enforcing any regulation for which the fee or charge is levied (Gov. Code, § 54985, subd. (a)).

#### COLLECTION PROCEDURES FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

	Collect environmental filing fee or copy of previously issued cash receipt. (Do not collect fee if project applicant presents a No Effect Determination signed by CDFW. An additional fee is required for each separate environmental document. An addendum is not considered a separate environmental document. Checks should be made payable to the county.)
	Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
	Attach copy of cash receipt and, if applicable, previously issued cash receipt, to NOD.
	Mail filing fees for <b>CRP</b> document to CDFW prior to filing the NOD or equivalent final approval (Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, § 753.5 (b)(5)). The CRP should request receipt from CDFW to show proof of payment for filing the NOD or equivalent approval. Please mail payment to address below made attention to the Cash Receipts Unit of the Accounting Services Branch.
If t	the project applicant presents a <b>No Effect Determination</b> signed by CDFW, also:
	Attach No Effect Determination to NOD (no environmental filing fee is due).
Filin	ng Notice of Exemption (NOE) (Statutorily or categorically exempt project (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15260-15285, 15300-15333))
	Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
	Attach copy of cash receipt to NOE (no environmental filing fee is due).

Within 30 days after the end of each month in which the environmental filing fees are collected, each county shall summarize and record the amount collected on the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31) and remit the amount collected to the State Treasurer. Identify the remittance on Form No. CA25 as "Environmental Document Filing Fees" per Fish and Game Code section 711.4.

#### The county clerk shall mail the following documents to CDFW on a monthly basis:

- ✓ A photocopy of the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31)
- CDFW/ASB copies of all cash receipts (including all voided receipts)
- ✓ A copy of all CDFW No Effect Determinations filed in lieu of fee payment
- ✓ A copy of all NODs filed with the county during the preceding month.
- A list of the name, address and telephone number of all project applicants for which an NOD has been filed. If this information is contained on the cash receipt filed with CDFW under California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 753.5, subdivision (e)(6), no additional information is required.

#### **DOCUMENT RETENTION**

The county shall retain two copies of the cash receipt (for lead agency and county clerk) and a copy of all documents described above for at least 12 months.

#### RECEIPT NUMBER

- # The first two digits automatically populate by making the appropriate selection in the County/State Agency of Filing drop down menu.
- # The next eight digits automatically populate when a date is entered.
- # The last three digits correspond with the sequential order of issuance for each calendar year. For example, the first receipt number issued on January 1 should end in 001. If a county issued 252 receipts for the year ending on December 31, the last receipt number should end in 252. CDFW recommends that counties and state agencies 1) save a local copy of this form, and 2) track receipt numbers on a spreadsheet tabbed by month to ensure accuracy.

#### DO NOT COMBINE THE ENVIRONMENTAL FEES WITH THE STATE SHARE OF FISH AND WILDLIFE FEES.

California Department of Fish and Wildlife Accounting Services Branch P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, California 94244-2090

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