

# 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):** County Right-of-Way                      **Case No.:** 862326

**LOCATION:** Paradise Road at Mile Post 2.5 North of State Highway 154

**PROJECT TITLE:** Construction of Storm Damage Repair on Paradise Road at Mile Post 2.5 North of State Highway 154

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The contract award is for a previously approved project and all further administrative activities including the statement of final quantities. CalPortland Construction submitted the lowest responsive bid of \$184,600.00, for the proposed project will involve realigning approximately 300 feet of Paradise Road. This segment of roadway would be realigned by cutting into the adjacent slope to move the roadway away from the failing roadway embankment. The realignment will include removal of approximately 1,900 cubic yards of material and excavation to a maximum depth of six feet, placement of Class II base, and paving and striping in the realigned section.

**EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)**

- ☐ Ministerial
- ☐ Statutory
- ☒ X Categorical Exemption [Sec. 15378(b, 2)]
- ☐ Emergency Project
- ☐ No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061(b, 3)]

**Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section:** Section 15378 project means the whole of an action, which has the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect change, and that is any of the following: (b), Project does not include: (2) Continuing administrative or maintenance activities, such as purchases for supplies, personal-related actions, general policy and procedure making...

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

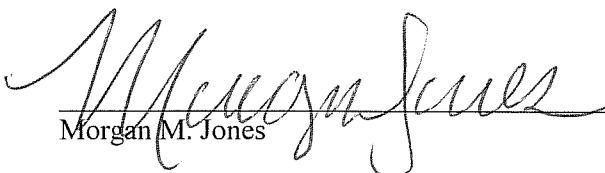
The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors is the responsible agency to award a contract for a project that was previously approved under CEQA. The award of the contract is not a project by definition. The term project refers to the activity which is being approved and which may be subject to several discretionary approvals by governmental agencies. The term project does not mean each separate governmental approval. Further, the award of the contract will not create any unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect.

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Acceptance Date: **November 13, 2012**

Distribution: Hearing Support Staff for

  
Morgan M. Jones

October 31, 2012  
Date

**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 statute of limitations on legal challenges.

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