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): N/A

Case No.: Real property Folio No. R-206

LOCATION: 105 East Anapamu Street, 4th Floor, Board of Supervisors Hearing Room

PROJECT TITLE: Modifications to Temporary Entry Permits and Confirmation of Nominal Value

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Request for the Chair of the Board of Supervisors, the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, the Santa Barbara County Water Agency and the Laguna County Sanitation District adopt a Resolution which will memorialize modification to the County's Temporary Entry Permits and Right of Entry Agreements and confirm the Nominal Value limits and policy used by the Public Works Department.

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)

 Ministerial
 Statutory
 Categorical Exemption
Emergency Project
 No Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061(b, 3)]
 Not a project [Section 15378 (b, 5)]

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) Organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

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

The above listed Boards have the authority to authorize the use of Temporary Entry Permits and Right of Entry agreements by Public Works staff as required to enter private property for project related construction. The nominal value guidelines align Public Works standards with Federal Department of Transportation standards.

The request for adoption of the Temporary Entry Permits and Right of Entry agreements and confirmation of the nominal value limits 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. It does not mean each separate governmental approval. Further, adoption and confirmation will not create any unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect.

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Acceptance Date: May 6, 2014

Distribution: Hearing Support Staff for posting

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Date

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