

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
FROM: Public Works Department

The project or activity identified below 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): Multiple Case No.: Not Applicable

Location: Urbanized unincorporated community Orcutt/Santa Maria in the 4th Supervisorial District
Project Title: Resolution to initiate annexation to Santa Barbara North County Lighting District
Project Description: Filing an application to LAFCO to annex territory to Santa Barbara North County Lighting District.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Public Works Department

- Exempt Status: (Check one)
Ministerial
[checked] Statutory Exemption
Categorical Exemption
Emergency Project
Declared Emergency

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: CEQA Guidelines (CCR Section 5378(b)(5).

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary): The Santa Barbara North County Lighting District (NCLD) provides general public streetlighting services to customers in the unincorporated Los Alamos, Casmalia, Orcutt, Orcutt, Santa Maria and Lompoc areas. Beneficiaries of the facilities located in the NCLD must typically be located within the this service territory. This action performs a governmental administrative action by adopting a resolution to initiate annexation proceedings that allows the application to be filed with the Santa Barbara Local Area Formation Commission. Therefore, the action is categorically exempt from CEQA per 14CCR 15378(b)(5).

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Department/Division Representative: Martin Wilder Date: 9-4-15

Acceptance Date:

Note: A copy of this form must be posted at P&D 6 days prior to a decision on the project. Upon approval, this form must be filed with the Clerk of the Board and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days to begin a 35 day statute of limitations on legal challenges.

DATE POSTED AT PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

DATE FILED BY CLERK OF THE BOARD
