

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Community Services 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): N/A **Case No.:** N/A

Location: Countywide

Project Title: Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Subrecipient Agreements

Project Description: The subrecipient agreements will allocate Fiscal Year 2015-2016 CDBG funds to agencies in order to implement capital improvement projects. Once the subrecipient agreements are fully executed, a HUD-required environmental review (as applicable) will be completed by HCD staff for each project.

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- ☐ Ministerial
- ☐ Statutory
- ☐ Categorical Exemption
- ☐ Emergency Project
- ☐ No Possibility of Significant Effect [§15061(b,3)]
- ☒ Other

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15378(b)(4); The creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project are not a project as defined by CEQA.

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

Approval of the documents does not result in direct physical impacts to the environment. When individual projects contained within these documents proceed to implementation, they may be subject to environmental review under NEPA and/or CEQA for the possible impacts which are unique to that particular project and/or program.

Department/Division Representative Jill Van Wie Date: July 13, 2016

Note: A copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days.

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