ATTACHMENT 8

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Dana Eady, Santa Barbara County Planning and Development 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.

133-080-036 16CUP-00000-00030

133-080-037 (portion)

Location: The site is located approximately 7.5 miles north of the town of Los Olivos and 7.5 miles northeast of the town of Los Alamos, in the Third and Fifth Supervisorial Districts.

Project Title: Rancho La Laguna Vesting Tentative Tract Map & State Small Water System

Project Applicant: Susan Petrovich, agent/attorney

Project Description: Disapproval of the Rancho La Laguna Vesting Tentative Tract Map & State Small Water System which includes the following: 1) a Vesting Tentative Tract Map to subdivide 3,951-acres into 13 lots ranging in size from 160-acres to 605-acres on property zoned AG-II-100; and 2) A Minor Conditional Use Permit for a State Small Water System with a total of 14 connections and the installation of appurtenant equipment and water utility lines in compliance with Section 35.82.060 of the County Land Use and Development Code, on property zoned AG-II-100.

Name of Public Agency Denying Project: County of Santa Barbara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Santa Barbara County Planning & Development

Exem	pt Status : (Check one)
	Ministerial
X	Statutory Exemption
	Categorical Exemption
	Emergency Project
	Declared Emergency

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section 15270 of the CEQA Guidelines (Projects which are disapproved).

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Reasons to support exemption findings: CEQA Section 15270 states that "CEQA does not apply to projects which a public agency rejects or disapproves."

The proposed project would allow for the subdivision of 3,951-acres into 13 lots ranging in size from 160-acres to 605-acres in size as well as the installation of a new State Small Water System to serve future domestic uses developed on the new lots. Based on the project's inconsistency with the Santa Barbara County Comprehensive Plan Agricultural Element, staff is unable to recommend approval of the project as proposed.

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Department/Division Representative:	Date: <u>June 27, 2017</u>	
Acceptance Date:		
distribution: Hearing Support Staff		
Date Filed by County Clerk:		