NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Directors of the Flood Control and Water Conservation District

FROM: General Services Department/Support Services Division

Based on a preliminary review of the proposed action, the following activity is determined to be exempt from the 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) 111-100-008

Case No. Real Property File No. 003879

LOCATION: Southeast corner of Autopark Drive and Mercury Drive, in the City of Santa Maria **PROJECT TITLE**: Quitclaim Flood Control Easement for Lakeview Promenade Project **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**: The County's General Services Department is recommending to the Directors of the Flood Control and Water Conservation District that they approve and authorize the District chair to execute the Quitclaim Deed relinquishing title to an easement for flood control purposes which is no longer in use or needed by the District, thereby clearing title for the underlying property owner.

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Cat	egorical Exemption [Sec. 15301(c)]
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X No	Possibility of Significant Effect [Sec. 15061(b)(3)]

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15061(b)(3). The activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.

Reasons to support exemption findings: The Board's action of quitclaiming the rights granted by an easement acquired by the District in 1964, which is no longer in use and no longer needed by the District will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. Thus, this project is exempt from environmental review in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3), General Rule Exemption.

Department/Division Representative

NOTE: A copy of this document must be posted with the County's Planning and 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.

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