

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**

**FROM: Department of Public Works/Engineering 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 (Pub. Res. Code Section 21000 et seq.), as defined in the State CEQA Guidelines and County Revised CEQA Guidelines.

**APN(s) Project No. Varies County Wide**

**LOCATION Various locations within the Santa Barbara County Road Right of Way**

**PROJECT TITLE** Measure "A" Five-Year Local Program of Projects for Fiscal Years 2010/11 through 2015/2016

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

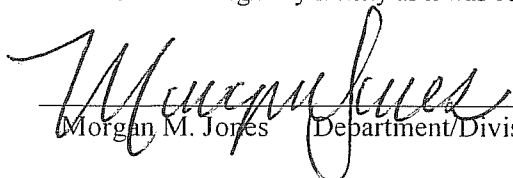
The Public Works Department proposes to re-establish the Measure "A" five year program, certifying the intent to allocate the required local discretionary funds to satisfy the "Maintenance of Efforts" provision of Measure "A", which is one of the County's sources of revenue for preventive maintenance, which includes overlays, seal coats and hardscape repairs within the County road right of way.

### EXEMPT STATUS:(Check One)

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

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section 15301 (c) Existing Facilities – "...consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, including but not limited to:...(c) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety), except where the activity will involve removal of a scenic resource including a stand of trees, a rock outcropping, or an historic building.

Reasons to support exemption findings: The project is for re-establishing a program which funds a routine maintenance activity by certifying the intent to allocate the required local discretionary funds to satisfy the "Maintenance of Efforts" provision of Measure "A" and therefore is contemplated by the CEQA exemption under section 15301. Further, there are no unusual circumstances which would create a possibility that there would be a significant effect. The project is program which funds a public safety activity designed to maintain a safe traveling condition of the highway facility as it was constructed.

  
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Department/Division Representative

March 1, 2010  
Date

**NOTE:** A copy must be posted 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 to begin a 35 day statute of limitations on legal challenges.

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