



## Legislation Text

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Consider recommendations regarding County Acceptance of Offer to Dedicate a 35-acre Portion of Dangermond Preserve from The Nature Conservancy to the County, Third District, as follows:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Dedication Agreement and Escrow Instructions (Dedication Agreement) between The Nature Conservancy (TNC) and the County of Santa Barbara (County), for the County's acceptance of a dedication of the approximately 35-acre portion of the Dangermond Preserve property, located adjacent to Jalama Beach County Park, and described in Exhibit A of the Dedication Agreement;
- b) Authorize the Director of General Services, or designee, to execute any additional escrow instructions or related documents required to facilitate the County's acceptance of Assessor Parcel Number 083-510-064, and portions of 083-510-063 and 065 (the OTD Parcels);
- c) In accordance with Cal. Gov. Code Section 51292, find that the location of the land to be acquired by the County was not based primarily on the lower cost of acquiring Williamson Act property, and that there is no other land within or outside the agricultural preserve that is reasonably feasible to acquire;
- d) Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Director of the Community Services Department to execute a Certificate of Acceptance for the OTD, and, if required, a Certificate of Acceptance for a quitclaim deed, effectuating the County's acceptance of the OTD Parcels;
- e) Direct the County Surveyor to record Certificates of Compliance for the remainder of Assessor Parcel Numbers 083-510-063 and 065, which will remain under the ownership of TNC; and
- f) Find that the proposed actions are exempt from further environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 14 CCR Section 15316 of the CEQA Guidelines (Transfer of Ownership in Land to Create Parks), which provides a Class 16 exemption for projects that consist of the acquisition, sale, or other transfer of land in order to establish a park where the land is in a natural condition or contains historical or archeological resources and either a) The management plan for the park has not been prepared, or b) The management plan proposes to keep the area in a natural condition or preserve the historic or archeological resources; and direct staff to file and post the Notice of Exemption.