

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): San Benito Co. Resource Mgmt.
2301 Technology Parkway
Hollister, CA 95023-2513

County Clerk

County of: San Benito
440 5th Street Room 206
Hollister, CA 95023-3843

(Address)

Project Title: 889-90A (Minor Subdivision / Parcel Map)

Project Applicant: David Brigantino, 2253, 2257, and 2259 Union Rd., Hollister, Cal.,

Project Location - Specific: 937.72-acre property (Assessor's Parcel 021-190-023, 024, 025, 026, 027, 028, 029)

Project Location - City: Unincorporated Project Location - County: San Benito

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

A minor subdivision / parcel map for four parcels, deletion of one condition for previously approved parcel map to complete condition compliance and be able to record.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Benito Co. Resource Management Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: David Brigantino

Exempt Status: (check one):

Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: §15305

Reasons why project is exempt: Finding: Pursuant to San Benito County Local Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act, this project qualifies for an exemption from CEQA under State CEQA Guidelines Categorical Exemptions (California Code of Regulations §15305,

Evidence: The current action would maintain an identical configuration of lots as that currently in existence, neither creating additional lots nor changing lot lines. This action would amend a prior subdivision, MS 889-90, to establish additional site access that would enable land use only to the low-density degree allowed under the County General Plan Rangeland (RG) designation. While the earlier approval limited land use to less than the degree allowed under RG until installation of additional access, both the land use limit's removal and the additional access were foreseen as possibilities at the time of the prior subdivision. Existing standards of the County General Plan allow more intensive use of the RG designation than that which currently exists on the project site and that which could result from the change proposed by the revised map. While critical habitat exists on and around the project site for the California red-legged frog, little actual change to the subject property would occur, with activities on the site subject to rules addressing environmental concerns, rules including conditions of approval herein and existing regulations under the County Code. Between the property's lowers and highest elevations, the property rises at a slope averaging 11 percent. All road improvements would occur along the course of existing roadway length; this includes proposed secondary access, foreseen upon the earlier subdivision approval and using an existing roadway. Other improvements would be governed by existing County regulations.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Arielle Goodspeed Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 831-902-2547

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Arielle Goodspeed Date: August 23, 2021 Title: Senior Planner

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant