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**FROM:** Santa Barbara County Public Works, Resource Recovery and Waste Management

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.

**APN:** 081-150-019, -026 and -042 **Case No.:** Not Applicable

**Location:** Tajiguas Landfill, 14470 Calle Real, Goleta, California 93117

**Project Title:** Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Wallace Group to provide engineering design services to study the feasibility of other improvements to the ReSource Center stormwater collection and pump station.

**Project Applicant:** Santa Barbara County Public Works, Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division (RRWMD)

**Project Description:** Evaluation and preparation of a feasibility study for potential improvements to the ReSource Center composting management unit stormwater collection and pump station.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Santa Barbara County

**Name of Person or Entity Carrying Out Project:** Santa Barbara County Public Works, RRWMD

**Exempt Status:**

- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency

**Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guidelines Section:** [cite section number and brief description or title of the exemption] 15262. FEASIBILITY AND PLANNING STUDIES

**Reasons to support exemption findings:** [discuss reasons for the exemption]

The ReSource Center is permitted under Solid Waste Facility Permit 42-AA-0015 and has been analyzed under several environmental documents including the Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (12-EIR-00000-00002) SCH #2012041068 and Subsequent EIR Revision Letter and Errata dated May 27, 2016 certified by the Board of Supervisors on July 12, 2016, Final

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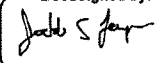
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Subsequent EIR Addendum dated August 11, 2017 (revised October 26, 2017) considered by the Board of Supervisors on November 14, 2017, and Final Subsequent EIR Addendum dated August 15, 2023 (considered by the Board of Supervisors on October 3, 2023 and November 7, 2023).

Consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15262, the proposed project involves preparation of a feasibility study to assess the function and identify possible improvements to the ReSource Center compositing management unit stormwater collection and pumping system. No approval or funding for the improvements is associated with the feasibility study and any project resulting from the feasibility study would be evaluated with respect to consistency with the prior CEQA review prepared for the ReSource Center pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15162. Therefore, the proposed feasibility study can be found to be statutorily exempt from CEQA.

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**Date:** March 27, 2024

**Acceptance Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Filed by County Clerk:** \_\_\_\_\_