Appendix C

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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SCH #

| Project Title: Santa Barbara County Last-Mile Broadband Program | | | |
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| Lead Agency: Santa Barbara County Association of Governments | | Contact Person: Fred Luna | |
| Mailing Address: 260 N. San Antonio Road, Suite B | | Phone: (805) 961-8905 | |
| City: Santa Barbara | Zip: <u>93110</u> | County: Santa Barba | ra |
| Project Location: County: Santa Barbara Cross Streets: N/A | City/Nearest C | community: County-wide (ir | ncluding incorporated cities) Zip Code: Several |
| Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds):° | ′″N/ | | |
| Assessor's Parcel No.: | | | nge: Base: |
| Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 101, 154, 246, 1, 135, 166 Airports: Santa Ynez, Lompoc, New Cuyama, others | Waterways: Sant | ta Ynez River, Santa Maria R Pacific, BNSF, Amtrak Sch | River, Cuyama River, others |
| Document Type: | | | |
| CEQA: NOP Draft EIR Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIF Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) Mit Neg Dec Other: | | NOI Other: EA Draft EIS FONSI | Joint Document Final Document Other: |
| Local Action Type: | | | |
| General Plan Update Specific Plan General Plan Amendment Master Plan General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Community Plan Site Plan | | e | Annexation Redevelopment Coastal Permit Other: Broadband Program |
| Development Type: Residential: Units Acres Office: Sq.ft. Acres Employees | | | |
| Commercial:Sq.ft. Acres Employees Industrial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees | | | MW |
| Educational: | Waste | e Treatment: Type | |
| Recreational: Hazardous Waste: Type Vater Facilities: Type MGD Other: Broadband Fiber Optic Cable installation | | | |
| Water Facilities: Type MGD | Other: | | |
| Project Issues Discussed in Document: | | | |
| Aesthetic/Visual Agricultural Land Air Quality Archeological/Historical Biological Resources Coastal Zone Drainage/Absorption Economic/Jobs Fiscal Fiscal Flood Plain/Flooding Geologic/Seismic Minerals Population/Housing Balan Public Services/Facilities | Solid Wast | niversities tems pacity on/Compaction/Grading te ardous | Vegetation Water Quality Water Supply/Groundwater Wetland/Riparian Growth Inducement Land Use Cumulative Effects Other: |

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Public street right-of-way, easements, or other public land; Numerous land use designations in various jurisdictions. **Project Description:** (please use a separate page if necessary)

The Project will include the installation of fiber optic cable in various locations throughout the County. High-level network designs for last-mile connections have been prepared for four Priority Areas, while an additional five Priority Area locations are looking to be advanced for high-level network design (total of 9 Priority Areas identified). Components to be installed/constructed within the four Priority Areas include the following: broadband conduit (i.e., rigid casing to protect fiber optic cables from physical damage and the elements) with diameters between %-inch and 2 inches to be installed within road rights-of-way (ROWs); aboveground, prefabricated walk-in hut/shelters made of aggregate wall materials; small aboveground steel distribution cabinets/neclosures; distribution fiber, splice points, and drops; drop hubs; and small underground structures such as hand holes. Additional Project components that may be necessary to connect end-users to the middle-mile broadband network may include: utility poles with aerial fiber and connection points; underground fiber markers; and signage. Once constructed, the broadband network components would generally operate passively, with only incidental maintenance typically consisting of weed abatement and periodic accessing of hand holes and splice cases from the ground surface along a given alignment.

Note: The State Clearinghouse will assign identification numbers for all new projects. If a SCH number already exists for a project (e.g. Notice of Preparation or previous draft document) please fill in.

Reviewing Agencies Checklist

| Lead Agencies may recommend State Clearinghouse distribution by marking agencies below with and "X". If you have already sent your document to the agency please denote that with an "S". | | | | | |
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| Х | Air Resources Board | х | Office of Historic Preservation | | |
| | Boating & Waterways, Department of | | Office of Public School Constructi | on | |
| | California Emergency Management Agency | х | Parks & Recreation, Department or | | |
| Х | California Highway Patrol | | Pesticide Regulation, Department | | |
| Х | Caltrans District # 5 | х | Public Utilities Commission | | |
| Х | Caltrans Division of Aeronautics | Х | – Regional WQCB # 3 | | |
| | Caltrans Planning | | Resources Agency | | |
| | Central Valley Flood Protection Board | | Resources Recycling and Recovery | y, Department of | |
| | Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy | | S.F. Bay Conservation & Develop | | |
| Х | Coastal Commission | | San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers | | |
| | Colorado River Board | | San Joaquin River Conservancy | | |
| | Conservation, Department of | | Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy | | |
| | Corrections, Department of | | State Lands Commission | | |
| | Delta Protection Commission | | SWRCB: Clean Water Grants | | |
| | Education, Department of | | SWRCB: Water Quality | | |
| | Energy Commission | | SWRCB: Water Rights | | |
| Х | Fish & Game Region # 5 | | _ Tahoe Regional Planning Agency | | |
| | Food & Agriculture, Department of | | Toxic Substances Control, Departr | nent of | |
| Х | Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of | | Water Resources, Department of | | |
| | General Services, Department of | | | | |
| | Health Services, Department of | | _ Other: | | |
| | Housing & Community Development | | Other: | | |
| <u>X</u> | Native American Heritage Commission | | | | |
| Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency) Starting Date May 30 2024 Ending Date July 1, 2024 | | | | | |
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Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.