



COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & BUILDING

Notice of Exemption

Project Title and No.: Contreras Farm Crossing / Minor Grading Permit (GRAD2024-00092 / ED24-137)

Project Location: APN: 090-151-016 / 461 N Thompson Ave., Nipomo, CA 93444

Project Applicant/Phone No./Email: Homero Contreras / 805-554-5672 / contrerasfarm805@gmail.com

Applicant Address (Street, City, State, Zip): 461 N Thompson Ave, Nipomo, CA 93444

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project

A request by Jose Contreras for a minor grading permit (GRAD2024-00092) to allow for construction of a culvert creek crossing to support agricultural operations. The proposed project will disturb approximately 3,432-square-feet of the 9.6-acre parcel, including 0-cubic-yards of cut and 50-cubic-yards of fill. The proposed parcel is within the Agriculture land use category and is located immediately adjacent to the Nipomo Urban Reserve Line. The site is within the Inland Sub-area of the South County Planning Area.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of San Luis Obispo

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial {Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268}
Declared Emergency {Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)}
Emergency Project {Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)}
Categorical Exemption {Sec. 15333; Class 33}
Statutory Exemption {Sec. ___}
Not a Project

Reasons why project is exempt: The project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15333, Small Habitat Restoration Projects, because the project consists of maintaining and restoring a creek crossing. Further, there are no unusual circumstances surrounding the project. The project will include revegetation of stream banks to enhance habitat and reduce sedimentation and erosion potential. The project includes 50-cubic-yards of fill and is less than 5 acres. The proposed project does not impact any scenic resources for any officially designated scenic highways. A biological report (SWCA, July 2024) concluded the area does not contain suitable habitat for any special-status plant species. The report includes pre-construction surveys and minimization and avoidance measures for special-status wildlife and nesting birds. These measures are included as conditions of the project. The location of the proposed project is not within any hazardous waste site compiled pursuant to Gov. Code § 65962.5. The proposed project does not involve or does not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

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Lead Agency Contact Person

Telephone

Signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*

Date: 9/23/2024

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| 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 <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
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On September 4, 2024 the project was approved by:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Supervisors | <input type="checkbox"/> Subdivision Review Board | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief Building Official |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Dept Hearing Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |