



COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & BUILDING
 Notice of Exemption

PLN-1123
3/22/2018

Project Title and No.: Verizon Wireless / Conditional Use Permit / N-DRC2024-00015 (ED24-124)

Project Location (Specific address [use APN or description when no situs available]): 1655 Circle B Road, Paso Robles, County of San Luis Obispo (APN: 020-011-058)	Project Applicant/Phone No./Email: Madison LaScalza / (949) 326-3232 / madison.lascalza@sequoia-ds.com <hr/> Applicant Address (Street, City, State, Zip): 1 Spectrum Pointe, Unit 130, Lake Forest, CA 92630
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Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project

Hearing to consider a request by Verizon Wireless for a Conditional Use Permit (N-DRC2024-00015) to allow for the construction and operation of a new wireless communications facility consisting of nine (9) panel antennas and six (6) remote radio units (RRUs) located within a 50-foot faux water tower. Ancillary equipment includes a 30kW diesel generator, equipment cabinets, PG&E transformer, and 8-foot tall steel bar fence. The proposed project will result in the disturbance of approximately 4,800-square-feet on a 5.02-acre parcel. The proposed project is within the Residential Rural land use category and is located adjacent to City of Paso Robles limits. The site is in the Salinas River Sub Area of the North County Planning Area.

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

Exempt Status: (Check One)

- 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. 15303; Class: 3}
- Statutory Exemption {Sec. ____}
- General Rule Exemption. {Sec. 15061(b)(3)} (also complete GRE form PLN-1124)
- Not a Project _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption (Class 3) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) because the construction of a wireless communications facility is minor in nature and the design will visually blend with the rural character of the surrounding area. Pre-construction surveys will occur for nesting birds in accordance with the biological assessment (Trileaf, May 2024). The proposed project is surrounded by other similarly developed lots and would not change the primary use of the right-of-way or the general street and

neighborhood design. It would not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, since the facility is unmanned, with a technician visiting the site as required for routine maintenance. The proposed project will not impact any scenic resources for any officially designated scenic highway because the project is small in nature and has been designed to blend in with the existing neighborhood development. 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. The site disturbance resulting from the project will only remove a minimal amount of ruderal vegetation and does not propose to remove any healthy, mature, or scenic trees. The project site has an average slope of 1% and site disturbance will not occur in a flood zone, or near any streams, and would not have a significant effect on drainage or water quality.

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Lead Agency Contact Person

Telephone

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: *Dal Porto* Date: 10 / 11 / 2024

Name: Dominic Dal Porto Title: Planner

On September 26, 2024 the project was Approved by:

- Board of Supervisors
- Subdivision Review Board
- Other _____
- Planning Commission
- Planning Dept Hearing Officer