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May 6, 2025

Russ Barker
Clerk of the Board
105 East Anapamu Street, Room 407
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

**SUBJECT: East Boone Street Storm Drain Improvements
SP2025-0006**

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, we are herewith filing a Notice of Exemption for the above mentioned project.

Please return a stamped copy of the Notice of Exemption in the enclosed, self-addressed envelope for our file.

Cody Graybehl

CODY GRAYBEHL, SENIOR PLANNER
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT



2025 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

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Complete this form when filing a Notice of Determination (Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, Environmental Impact Report) or Notice of Exemption.

A scanned copy of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Receipt, Transmittal Memorandum and the CEQA filing, including the date/time of posting will be emailed to the Lead Agency and Project Applicant. If you would like a return copy, please submit an extra copy along with a pre-addressed, stamped envelope.

Contact Person		Phone	
Lead Agency		Lead Agency Email	
Project Title			
Project Applicant	Email	Phone	
Project Applicant Address	City	State	Zip

DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- Notice of Determination - Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
 - 2025 Filing Fee\$4,123.50
 - Previously Paid (**must attach receipt**) \$0.00
 - No Effect Determination (**must be attached**)..... \$0.00
 Environmental Filing Fees will be collected **only** for projects that are approved. The Applicant must attest to the following:
 - This project has been approved. Date of Approval: [Click or tap to enter a date.](#)

- Notice of Determination - Negative Declaration (ND) or Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND).....
 - 2025 Filing Fee \$2,968.75
 - Previously Paid (**must attach receipt**) \$0.00
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Notice of Exemption.....\$0.00

County Administrative Handling Fee (**required for all filings, effective 7/19/18**)\$50.00

TOTAL: _____

PAYMENT METHOD: ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING

- Cash
- Credit
In person only
- Check # _____
- Journal Entry # _____
In FIN send to 'COB CEQA' in CEO Dept

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Cody Graybehl, Community Development Department

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 Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA.

Project No.: SP2025-0006

Location: East Boone Street between East Avenue and College Drive.

Project Title: East Boone Street Storm Drain Improvements

Project Applicant: City of Santa Maria Public Works Department

Project Description: Construction of approximately 690 linear feet of storm drain lines to replace the existing system on East Boone Street between East Avenue and College Drive.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Santa Maria

Name of Person or Entity Carrying Out Project: David Beas

Exempt Status:

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

Cite specific CEQA or CEQA Guidelines Section: This is a Class 1 (c) (Existing Facilities) categorical exemption based on Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

Reasons to support exemption findings: The project would be located in an existing City street within an existing storm drain system. The proposed project does not involve unusual circumstances, including future activities, resulting in or which might reasonably result in significant impacts which threaten the environment. No further environmental review is required. The exceptions to the categorical exemptions pursuant to Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines are:

- (a) Location. Classes 3, 4, 5, 6, and 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located – a project that is ordinarily insignificant in its impact on the environment may in a particularly sensitive environment be significant. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resource of**

hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.

The project is utilizing a Class 1 exemption. This exception does not apply.

(b) Cumulative Impact. All exemptions for these classes are inapplicable when the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant.

No cumulative impacts would be generated as this is an existing project site being modified.

(c) Significant Effect. A categorical exemption shall not be used for an activity where there is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.

No unusual circumstances are present.

(d) Scenic Highways. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to, trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway. This does not apply to improvements which are required as mitigation by an adopted negative declaration or certified EIR.

No scenic highways would be impacted by the project.

(e) Hazardous Waste Sites. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

No hazardous waste sites are located at the project site.

(f) Historical Resources. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

No historical resources are located at the project site.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Cody Graybehl, Senior Planner

Phone #: (805) 925-0951 x 2552

Department/Division Signature: *Cody Graybehl*

Date: May 6, 2025

Acceptance Date: _____

Date Filed by County Clerk: _____