

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
Notice of Exemption

To: ☐ Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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From: Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation and Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

☒ County Clerk
Contra Costa County

Project Title: Adoption of Ordinance No. 2016-17 calling a special election for voter approval of a local sales tax for transportation purposes.

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County

Project Location – Specific: Countywide

Project Location – City: Countywide Project Location – County: Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project consists of calling a special election for voter approval of a Contra Costa Transportation Authority (Authority) initiated transportation sales tax in support of the Authority’s adopted Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Contra Costa County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

Exempt Status:

- ☒ Ministerial Project [Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268]
- ☐ Categorical Exemption [Section]
- ☐ Declared Emergency [Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)]
- ☐ Other Statutory Exemption [Section]
- ☐ Emergency Project [Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)]
- ☐ General Rule of Applicability [Section 15061(b)(3)]

Reasons why project is exempt: It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the project, consisting of Ordinance 2016-17, will have a significant effect on the environment, and it is therefore exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 21080(b)(1); 15268, for the following reasons: **1)** The Board’s decision to adopt Ordinance 2016-17 involved only the use of fixed standards and objective measurements, **2)** the Authority’s request met the requirements of state law, **3)** The Authority found the project exempt from environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), **4)** the Board and all nineteen cities and towns have approved the project, **5)** the Board’s decision is ministerial pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15268(a) and Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(1).

Lead Agency Contact Person: John Cunningham Area Code-Telephone-Extension: 925-674-7833

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: _____ Date: _____ Title: _____

- ☒ Signed by Lead Agency
- ☐ Signed by Applicant

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

I declare that on _____, I received and posted this notice as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152(c). Said notice will remain posted for 30 days from the filing date.

Signature _____ Title _____

Applicant	Department of Fish and Wildlife Fees Due	
Contra Costa County	<input type="checkbox"/> EIR - \$3,070.00	Total Due \$ _____
Department of Conservation and Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Neg. Dec. - \$2,210.25	Total Paid \$ _____
30 Muir Road	<input type="checkbox"/> De minimis Findings - \$0	
Martinez, CA 94553	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk - \$50	Receipt # _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation & Development - \$25	