

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

July 2, 2025

To: County Clerk  
County of Riverside  
4080 Lemon Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Riverside, CA 92501

From: Riverside County  
c/o Clerk of the Board  
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**Project Title:** Ordinance No. 860.17 – Amending the fees charged by the Auditor-Controller to recover its costs associated with providing certain services.

**Project Location:** Not site specific.


**Description of Project:** Ordinance No. 860.17 amends the fees charged by the Auditor-Controller for providing certain services to County departments, taxing entities, special districts, employees and the public in order to recover its costs of such services as authorized by law.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Riverside County Board of Supervisors

**Name of person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Riverside County Auditor-Controller

**Exempt Status:** California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3)

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:** Adoption of Ordinance No. 860.17 is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3). Adoption of Ordinance No. 860.17 merely authorizes the Auditor-Controller to charge amended fees to recover its costs of providing certain services to County departments, taxing entities, special districts, employees and the public as otherwise authorized by law. The adoption of Ordinance No. 860.17 is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the change in the Auditor-Controller’s fees may have a significant effect on the environment, the adoption of Ordinance No. 860.17 is exempt from CEQA.

**Signed:**   
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**Date:** July 2, 2025