



2026 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

County of Santa Barbara - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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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	
Mackenzie Forgey/John Viggianelli		805-882-3613; 805-957-7382	
Lead Agency		Lead Agency Email	
Santa Barbara County Public Works Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division		mforgey@countyofsb.org; jvig@countyofsb.org	
Project Title			
Solid Waste Tipping Fees, Maximum Franchised Collection Rates, and New Cuyama Parcel Fees for FY 2026/27 - All Supervisorial Districts			
Project Applicant		Email	Phone
Mackenzie Forgey/Emily LaChaine		mforgey@countyofsb.org; lachaine@countyofsb.org	805-882-3613; 805-882-3616
Project Applicant Address		City	State Zip
130 E Victoria St, Suite 100		Santa Barbara	CA 93101

DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- Notice of Determination - Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
 - 2026 Filing Fee\$4,227.50
 - 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:

- Notice of Determination - Negative Declaration (ND) or Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND).....
 - 2026 Filing Fee \$3,043.75
 - Previously Paid (**must attach receipt**) \$0.00
 - No Effect Determination (**must be attached**)..... \$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: \$ 50.00

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

- Cash Credit Check # _____ Journal Entry # 1078308
- In person only Ensure Workday status reflects "Posted" prior to filing



View Journal

Journal JE-1078308 - County of Santa Barbara California - 03/20/2026 - 2026 CEQA Filing Fee for FY26/27 Solid Waste Tipping Fees, Maximum Franchise Collection Rates, and New Cuyama
Journal Number JE-1078308
Status Posted
Journal Sequence Number JR184075
Budget Check Status Pass

Journal Entry Information

Originated by EMILY LACHAINE
Accounting Date 03/20/2026
Currency USD
Period Mar-FY 2025-26 Actuals (County of Santa Barbara California)
Ledger County of Santa Barbara California : Actuals
Journal Source Manual Journal
Balancing Fund FD-1930 Resource Recovery & Waste Mgt
Book Code

Journal Entry Details

Memo 2026 CEQA Filing Fee for FY26/27 Solid Waste Tipping Fees, Maximum Franchise Collection Rates, and New Cuyama
External Reference ID
Adjustment Journal No
Create Reversal No
Balanced Yes
Total Ledger Debits 100.00
Total Ledger Credits 100.00

As Entered

Journal Entry Lines

Journal Line	Company	Ledger Account	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Memo	External Reference ID	Spend Category	Revenue Category	Grant	Project Task	Program	Cost Center	*Fund	Additional Worktags	Budget Date
Accounting Journal: County of Santa Barbara California - 03/20/2026, 6300:Charges for Services, Debit:0, Credit:50 As Entered for Intercompany	County of Santa Barbara California	6300:Charges for Services		50.00	2026 CEQA Filing Fee for FY26/27 Solid Waste Tipping Fees, Maximum Franchise Collection Rates, and New Cuyama			RC-5746 Administrative Revenue			PG-0124020 Clerk of the Board	CC-12000 County Executive	FD-0001 General		03/20/2026



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Retained Earnings

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Status History



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Status	Entered On	Workday Account
Created	03/20/2026 11:15:14.368 AM	LachainE@countyofsb.org / EMILY LACHAINE
In Progress	03/20/2026 11:15:14.544 AM	LachainE@countyofsb.org / EMILY LACHAINE
Reserved	03/20/2026 11:15:16.299 AM	wd-support
Created	03/20/2026 11:47:09.196 AM	LachainE@countyofsb.org / EMILY LACHAINE
In Progress	03/20/2026 11:47:09.345 AM	LachainE@countyofsb.org / EMILY LACHAINE
Reserved	03/20/2026 11:47:10.258 AM	wd-support
Posted	03/23/2026 08:10:12.125 AM	wd-support

2026 CEQA Accounting Ledger Email Confirmation.pdf

File Name 2026 CEQA Accounting Ledger Email Confirmation.pdf
Content Type application/pdf
Updated By EMILY LACHAINE
Upload Date 03/20/2026 11:15:14 AM
Comment

2026 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum_FY 2026-27 Rates.pdf

File Name 2026 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum_FY 2026-27 Rates.pdf
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Updated By EMILY LACHAINE
Upload Date 03/20/2026 11:15:14 AM
Comment

Process History

Process	Step	Status	Completed On	Due Date	Person (Up to 5)	All Persons	Comment
Accounting Journal Event	Accounting Journal Event	Step Completed	03/20/2026 11:15:14 AM	03/22/2026	EMILY LACHAINE	1	
Accounting Journal Event	Review Journal	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Check Budget (Financial)	Automatic Complete	03/20/2026 11:15:14 AM	03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Batch/Job: Run Budget Check	Step Completed	03/20/2026 11:15:16 AM			0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Review Budget Check	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Review Budget Check	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Review Budget Check	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Override Budget Check	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Service: Reserve Budget in Budget Check	Step Completed	03/20/2026 11:15:16 AM	03/22/2026	Workday Service	1	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by Cost Center Manager	Withdrawn			GLORIA ALVAREZ	1	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by Cost Center Manager	Sent Back	03/20/2026 11:38:33 AM		GLORIA ALVAREZ (Cost Center Manager) ()	1	Send Back Reason from GLORIA ALVAREZ: Hi Emily. Please update SR to SR-0541204 per Mackie's coding. Thank you.
Accounting Journal Event	Accounting Journal Event	Submitted	03/20/2026 11:47:09 AM	03/22/2026	EMILY LACHAINE	1	



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Process	Step	Status	Completed On	Due Date	Person (Up to 5)	All Persons	Comment
Accounting Journal Event	Review Journal	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Check Budget (Financial)	Automatic Complete	03/20/2026 11:47:09 AM	03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Batch/Job: Run Budget Check	Step Completed	03/20/2026 11:47:10 AM			0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Review Budget Check	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
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Check Budget (Financial)	Review Budget Check	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Override Budget Check	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Service: Reserve Budget in Budget Check	Step Completed	03/20/2026 11:47:10 AM	03/22/2026	Workday Service	1	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by Cost Center Manager	Approved	03/20/2026 01:59:03 PM		GLORIA ALVAREZ (Cost Center Manager) ()	1	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by Cost Center Manager	Approved	03/23/2026 08:10:10 AM		DAWN HOLDEN (Cost Center Manager) ()	1	
Accounting Journal Event	Initiate Accounting Journal Intercompany Event	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by Project Manager	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by Grant Manager	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by FACS – Senior Accountant	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by Accounting Operations Lead	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by Accounts Payable Data Entry Specialist	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by Chief Deputy Controller	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by Accounting Specialist - ARTA	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by ARTA Accountant	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by ARTA Approver	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Accounting Journal Event	Approval by TTC - School TRANS	Not Required		03/22/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Check Budget (Financial)	Automatic Complete	03/23/2026 08:10:10 AM	03/24/2026		0	
Check Budget (Financial)	Batch/Job: Run Budget Check	Step Completed	03/23/2026 08:10:12 AM			0	
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Check Budget (Financial)	Service: Reserve Budget in Budget Check	Step Completed	03/23/2026 08:10:12 AM	03/24/2026	Workday Service	1	

Attachment D

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Public Works Department, Resource Recovery and Waste Management

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 and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA.

APN: Multiple **Case No.:** Not Applicable

Location: County-operated facilities (Landfill, Transfer Stations and the Community Hazardous Waste Center) throughout Santa Barbara County (All Supervisorial Districts)

Project Title: Solid Waste Tipping Fees, Maximum Franchised Collection Rates, and New Cuyama Parcel Fees for FY 2026/27 - All Supervisorial Districts

Project Description: Adoption of resolutions setting fee schedules for solid waste handling and disposal fees at County operated facilities, establishing New Cuyama parcel fees, and setting maximum solid waste collection rates in the unincorporated area.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Santa Barbara County Public Works Department, Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division.

Exempt Status: (Check one)

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

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: CEQA Guideline Section 15273. (a) (1), (2), (4) Rate, Tolls, Fares, and Charges.

Reasons to support exemption findings:

CEQA does not apply to the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring, or approval of rates, tolls, fares, or other charges by public agencies which the public agency finds are for the purpose of meeting operating expenses, purchasing or leasing supplies, equipment, or materials, meeting financial reserve needs and requirements and obtaining funds for capital projects, necessary to maintain service within existing service areas. Tipping fees at County solid waste facilities are set each year based on the actual cost of providing the service

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the prior fiscal year, as well as complying with the Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division's long-term financial pro forma for funding its debt obligations, capital, regulatory compliance, and closure/post-closure requirements associated with its solid waste management system. Consistent with the requirements of this exemption, the proposed fees are for the purpose of meeting ongoing operational expenses, debt obligations and not for system expansion.

As a capital project, the Resource Center was separately reviewed under CEQA in 12EIR-00000-00002 certified by the Board of Supervisors on July 12, 2016 and Addendum dated August 11, 2017 (revised October 26, 2017), considered by the Board of Supervisors on November 14, 2017 along with other Addendums and 15162 determinations for various project description changes. A relatively new capital project, the Tajiguas Landfill Capacity Increase Project, commenced construction in FY24/25 and is largely funded by the Division's capital reserves. This project was separately reviewed under CEQA in 23EIR-00001 certified by the Board of Supervisors on March 19, 2024.

In FY 26/27 the mechanism to set the rate charged at the Tajiguas Landfill is established in the regional agreements between the County and the participating jurisdictions and in the financing documents for the construction and operation of the ReSource Center (formerly the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project). During FY 26/27, the proposed franchise rate will increase from \$196.50 to \$203.45 per ton. Most other rates for waste handled at County facilities are proposed to increase by an average rate of 4.23%. Specifically, the rates for the Community Hazardous Waste Center at UCSB are proposed to increase by an average of 3.03%. The FY26/27 New Cuyama parcel fees are not proposed to be increased, although a fee increase is under consideration for FY27/28. For the FY 26/27 maximum franchised collection rates, the mechanism to adjust these rates is defined in each franchise agreement. The average maximum franchised collection rate increase across all five collection zones is approximately 3.67%.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Jeanette Gonzales-Knight, Deputy Director, RRWMD

Phone #: (805) 882-3605

Department/Division Representative: John Viggianelli, Engineering Environmental Planner

Date: March 19, 2026

DocuSigned by:

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Acceptance Date:

Date Filed by County Clerk: