



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife

2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

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LEAD AGENCY

CSA3, CSA 31, and North County Lighting District

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

kethomp@countyofsb.org, sshank@countyofsb.org

DATE

06/15/2026

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING

Santa Barbara

DOCUMENT NUMBER

PROJECT TITLE

Benefit Assessments for County Service Areas 3, 31, and the SB North County Lighting District for FY 26-27

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

CSA3, CSA 31, and North County Lighting District

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

kethomp@countyofsb.org, amarredondo@countyofsb.org

PHONE NUMBER

(805) 803-8756

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

620 West Foster Rd.

CITY

Santa Maria

STATE

CA

ZIP CODE

93455

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)☒ Local Public Agency☐ School District☐ Other Special District☐ State Agency☐ Private Entity**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

\$4,227.50

\$

0.00

☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)

\$3,043.75

\$

0.00

☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW

\$1,437.25

\$

0.00

☒ Exempt from fee☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)

\$850.00

\$

0.00

☒ County documentary handling fee

\$

50.00

☐ Other

\$

PAYMENT METHOD:☐ Cash☐ Credit☐ Check☒ Other**TOTAL RECEIVED**

\$

50.00

SIGNATURE

X

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Sarah Mayer, Deputy Clerk



2026 CEQA Transmittal Memorandum

County of Santa Barbara - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

105 E. Anapamu St. Room 407 • Santa Barbara • CA • 93101

(805) 568-2240

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 Kevin Thompson, Seth Shank	Phone 805-803-8756		
Lead Agency CSA 3, CSA 31, and North County Lighting District	Lead Agency Email kethomp@countyofsb.org, sshank@countyofsb.org		
Project Title Benefit Assessments for County Service Areas 3, 31, and the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District for Fiscal Year 2026-2027			
Project Applicant CSA 3, CSA 31, and North County Lighting District	Email kethomp@countyofsb.org; amarredondo@countyofsb.org	Phone (805) 803-8756	
Project Applicant Address 620 West Foster Road	City Santa Maria	State CA	Zip 93455

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

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 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 # **JE-1079074**
- In person only Ensure Workday status reflects "Posted" prior to filing

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
CLERK OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse

FROM: Santa Barbara County Public Works Department, Resource Recovery and Waste
Management Division

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.

Location: Unincorporated, urbanized areas Goleta and Santa Barbara (CSA 3), in the community of Isla Vista (CSA 31), and the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Supervisorial Districts.

Project Title: Establishing Benefit Assessments for County Service Areas 3, 31, and the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Supervisorial Districts

Project Description: This action is to establish the benefit assessments for streetlighting services in County Service Area 3 (CSA 3) at \$24.00 per residential parcel (factored for other development types), County Service Area 31 (CSA 31) at \$12.93 per residential parcel (factored for other development types), and to not establish (set to zero) the benefit assessment for zones in the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District (SBNCLD) that have benefit assessments. These amounts remain unchanged from last year.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Public Works Department

Exempt Status: (Check one)

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

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: CEQA Guidelines (CCR Section 15273(a) (1)-(4), "Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges".

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary): Streetlights used in public road rights of way are owned and operated by the Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) in the north county and by the Southern California Edison Company (SCE) in the south county. Revenue to fund the operational costs of streetlighting comes from the County Road Fund, property taxes and benefit assessments. The Road Fund provides for streetlighting services not located within a lighting district or county service area where property taxes and benefit assessments are generated. In total, the County operates two streetlighting districts and

three county service areas. Of these, County Service Area 3 (unincorporated Goleta and Santa Barbara), County Service Area 31 (Isla Vista), and portions of the Santa Barbara North County Lighting District generate revenue from benefit assessments. Establishing the benefit assessment is required annually pursuant to the Government Code and the Streets and Highways Code and is for the purposes of meeting operating and capital expenses, as well as for meeting financial reserve needs required to maintain services within the existing service areas. Said rates are not for the expansion of the service system. Therefore, consistent with CEQA Guidelines (CCR Section 15273(a) (1)-(4)), the actions are exempt from CEQA.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Kevin Thompson, Civil Engineer Specialist
Phone #: (805) 803-8750

Department/Division Representative: Seth Shank, Environmental Compliance Manager

Date: March 18, 2026

Signature:



Acceptance Date:

DATE FILED BY CLERK OF THE BOARD

6/15/2026