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LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
Santa Barbara County RRWM Division of Public Works	mforgey@countyofsb.org; jvig@countyofsb.org	07/07/2026

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING: Santa Barbara

DOCUMENT NUMBER:

PROJECT TITLE

Solid Waste Tipping Fees, Maximum Franchised Collection Rates, and New Cuyama Parcel Fees for FY 2026-2027 All Districts

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
Mackenzie Forgey/Emily LaChaine	mforgey@countyofsb.org; lachaine@countyofsb.org	(805) 882-3613

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
130 E Victoria Street, Suite 100	Santa Barbara	CA	93101

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	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
X Katherine Douglas	Katherine Douglas, Deputy Clerk

ORIGINAL - PROJECT APPLICANT | COPY - CDFW/ASB | COPY - LEAD AGENCY | COPY - COUNTY CLERK | DFW 753.5a (Rev. 01012026)

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:

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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 In person only ☐ Check #_____ ☒ Journal Entry # 1078308

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
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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
__X__ 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 4.09%. 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

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John Viggianelli
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Acceptance Date:

Date Filed by County Clerk: 7/7/2026