



Cachuma Resource Conservation District

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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From: Cachuma Resource Conservation District
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Santa Barbara County Clerk
 Via hand delivery

Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21152 of the Public Resources Code.
State Clearinghouse Number: 2008101027

Project Title: Mitigated Negative Declaration for Santa Barbara County Permit Coordination Program

Project Location: The Project would apply to privately-owned, agriculturally-zoned properties in Santa Barbara County with the exception of estuaries, sloughs, vernal pools, dunes and coastal strand. The Project would not include property on the Channel Islands or Federal, State or local public lands.

Project Sponsors: USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) is the Federal agency for the project and Cachuma Resource Conservation District (CRDC) is the local agency sponsor and the lead agency for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Project Overview: The Permit Coordination Program is an effort intended to facilitate the permit process for conservation and restoration efforts by providing programmatic permits for eligible conservation projects. The Project includes 18 Conservation Practices along with a suite of Environmental Protection Measures and NRCS planning tools intended to incentivize restoration projects, improve water quality and enhance fish and wildlife habitats in Santa Barbara County as detailed in the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

This notice is to advise that the Cachuma Resource Conservation District approved the above described project on December 11, 2008 and has made the following determinations regarding the described project:

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA
3. Mitigation Measures were made a condition of approval of the project
4. A mitigation reporting plan was adopted for this project
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final MND with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at the Cachuma Resource Conservation District offices, 920 Stowell Road, Santa Maria, CA 93454 and online at:

<http://www.suscon.org/pir/watersheds/SantaBarbaraMND.asp>

Cachuma Resource Conservation District office hours are 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Please telephone in advance to ensure staff availability.

Signature: _____ Title at Public Agency: _____

Date: _____ Date Received for filing at OPR _____