



City of Santa Barbara

MEA Cover Sheet: Preliminary Environmental Review for Exemption

PROJECT ADDRESS _____	MST _____
PROJECT DESCRIPTION _____	

STEP 1 – IS THE PROJECT: 1) MINISTERIAL (ABLE TO BE APPROVED ADMINISTRATIVELY, COASTAL EXCLUSION, ETC.) AND DOES NOT REQUIRE ANY OTHER DISCRETIONARY APPROVAL(S) OR 2) SO MINOR THAT THERE’S NO POSSIBILITY OF A SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECT?

- Yes. Confirm with the Environmental Analyst or Design Review Supervisor. Skip to Step 3.
- No. Continue to Step 2.

STEP 2 – PRINT OUT A MEA FROM MAPS, COMPLETE THE ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING CHECKLIST BELOW, AND THEN ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTION(S):

Q1- Are all boxes in the Environmental Screening Worksheet checked “no”?

- Yes. The project may qualify for an exemption. Skip to Step 3.
- No. Continue to Step 2, Question 2.

Q2- If any of the boxes are checked “yes,” follow the directions provided in the Preliminary Environmental Review Worksheet Direction Document for the specific issue to determine if additional information and/or special studies/reports are needed to further analyze the issue and make a significance determination. List each piece of additional information and/or reports requested below, and indicate its conclusion. Attach the additional information and/or special studies/reports. Continue to Step 2 Question 3.

Report/Information Required	Dates			Conclusion of Report/Information			
	Applicant Notified	Report Received	Report Accepted	No Impact	Less than significant impact	Requires mitigation to be less than significant	Potentially significant even after mitigation
SWMP Requirements: Tier Level _____				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Biological Assessment				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Arborist Report				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Phase I Archaeology or Letter Report				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Historic Structures Report				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geologic/Soils Report				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noise Study				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Traffic Study				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Visual Simulations or Analysis				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Environmental Screening Checklist

ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING	Yes	No
Does the project require a General Plan Amendment or Rezone?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
AIR QUALITY AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS		
AQ/HM-1. Does the project's land use size exceed the APCD Screening Table (e.g. >103 SFRs; >143 condos/apts; >16,000 sq.ft. sit-down restaurant;>11,500 sq.ft. high turnover restaurant; 2,000 sq.ft. convenience market; >10,000 sq.ft. commercial; 40,000 sq.ft. medical office; 115,000 sq.ft. general office building)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
AQ/HM-2. Does the project include the following uses? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fuels or hazardous materials storage, transfer, or dispensing; • Auto body shops; • Dry cleaners; • Aggregate or concrete batch facilities; • Large commercial or institutional uses that include generators and boilers; • Fabrication, manufacturing, and/or sterilization; • Production of alcohol (wine, beer, etc.). 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
AQ/HM-3. Is the project located on or directly adjacent to a contaminated site identified by the applicant on the Hazardous Waste and Substances Statement or the State GeoTracker Database (https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES		
BIO-1. Is the project site located within one of the following Upland Habitats? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oak Savanna, Oak Woodland, or Oak Forest; • Chaparral; • Coastal Sage Scrub; • Coastal Strand/Beach; • Coastal Bluff; • Native Perennial Grassland, Annual Non-Native Grassland, or Undetermined Grassland; or, • Eucalyptus Grove. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BIO-2. Will the project result in removal, significant trimming, grading or trenching within the critical root zone, of any of the following tree(s) with a diameter of 4 inches or greater at a height of 4 feet, 6 inches? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any tree where known bird nests occur; • Five or more trees of any species; • One or more Oak; • One or more Western Sycamore; • One or more Cottonwood. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BIO-3. Is the project site within 100 feet of a creek or wetland?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BIO-4. Is the project site within a special wildlife area(s)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BIO-5. Is the project site within 100 feet of special interest plants or wildlife?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BIO-6. Is the project site within a Coastal Zone Resources area?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BIO-7. Does the project site contain Airport Habitats?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CULTURAL RESOURCES		
CR-1. Is the site located within an Archaeological Sensitivity Zone?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CR-2. Is the site a Designated Historic Structure/Site, directly adjacent to a Designated Historic Structure/Site, a	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

"Potential" Historic Structure/Site, or within a Survey Area?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CR-3. Does the site contain a structure 50 or more years old?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GEOLOGICAL		
GEO-1. Does the project involve an essential facility (e.g. school, hospital; nursing home; fire or police station; emergency operations center; major water, electric, gas, sewer facility or other major utility)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GEO-2. Is the site located in the Apparently Active (Higher) or Potentially Active (Medium) Fault Hazard Zone?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GEO-3. Is the site location subject to High liquefaction potential?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GEO-4. Is the site located in the High Relative Landslide Potential Area (Area 4)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GEO-5. Is the project located on any mapped Slope Failure or Slope Movement Classification Area (areas known to have slope movement risk)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GEO-6. Is the site located seaward of the mapped 75-year Sea Cliff (Bluff) Retreat Line or within 75 feet from the top outer edge of the bluff?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GEO-7. Is the site over 30% slope?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HAZARDS		
HAZ-1. Is the project site located within the 100-year floodplain (areas with 1% chance flood or Zones A, AE, AH, AO, AR, A99, V, and VE)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NOISE		
NOISE-1. Is the project site located in an area with an ambient noise level of 60 dBA Ldn or above?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NOISE-2. Does the project have the potential to create substantial noise (e.g. unscreened exterior mechanical equipment, rock crushing operations and batch plants, pneumatic equipment (e.g. auto repair and tire shops), outdoor speakers, bells or chimes, etc.)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NOISE-3. Will the project have a long construction duration (greater than 1 year), substantial subsurface excavation (e.g. underground parking structures, extensive basements), or pile driving?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
TRAFFIC/CIRCULATION		
T/C -1. Would the project potentially add 5 or more peak hour vehicle trips (e.g. > 4 new SFR; > 7 new condos/apts; > 1,000 sq. ft. of new commercial/industrial; new fast food restaurant; or new mixed use)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
VISUAL RESOURCES		
VIS-1. Would any new structure or addition to an existing structure be taller than 30 feet, greater than 5,000 s.f., or be located on a foothill or mountain ridge?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>