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Notice of Exemption

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From: San Bernardino County
Land Use Services Department
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Project Title: TPM 20366. A Tentative Parcel Map to subdivide 18.42 gross acres into three (3) parcels in the unincorporated community of Joshua Tree, 3rd Supervisorial District; Project Number: PROJ-2021-00074; APN: 0606-331-38.

Project Applicant: Baltic Sands Inc.

Project Location: Northwest corner Aberdeen Drive and California Avenue (APN 0606-331-38) Joshua Tree.

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: A Tentative Parcel Map to subdivide 18.42 gross acres into three (3) parcels in the unincorporated community of Joshua Tree, 3rd Supervisorial District; Project Number: PROJ-2021-00074; APN: 0606-331-38.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Bernardino County

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Land Use Services Department

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Common Sense Exemption (CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15060(c)(2) and 15061(b)(3));
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:

- Statutory Exemption. Section number: Sec. 15183 Projects Consistent with a Community Plan of Zoning

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Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15060(c)(2) in that the action will not result in a direct or foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment; and section 15061(b)(3) in that the action has no potential to cause a significant impact on the environment because the project is a minor subdivision consistent with the Countywide Plan and zoning for which an EIR (SCH #2017101033) was certified. Furthermore, although the project is for a proposed tentative parcel map subdivision with no development proposed, a General Biological Resources Assessment (BRA) was conducted on the project site to evaluate for the presence of biological resources. The BRA concluded that no sensitive habitats (e.g., wetlands, vernal pools, critical habitats for sensitive species, etc.) were observed on the site during the field investigations and that future development of the site would have a minimal impact on biological resources present on the site. Nonetheless, Conditions of Approval requiring CEQA review and adherence to recommendations in the BRA would be implemented immediately prior to and during future development of the TPM. Conditions of Approval have also been incorporated to require protective protocol to address cultural resources and human remains during future development of the TPM.

Lead Agency

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Signed by Lead Agency

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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