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## October 27, 2022 NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION (IS/ND) FOR THE AIRPORT LAND USE COMPATIBILITY PLANS FOR SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT, SANTA MARIA AIRPORT, LOMPOC AIRPORT, SANTA YNEZ AIRPORT, AND VANDENBERG SPACE FORCE BASE

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Santa Barbara County Association of Governments acting in its role as the Airport Land Use Commission for Santa Barbara County, has prepared Airport Land Use Compatibility Plans (ALUCPs) for Santa Barbara Airport, Santa Maria Airport, Lompoc Airport, Santa Ynez Airport, and Vandenberg Space Force Base. The ALUCPs were prepared in compliance with the State Aeronautics Act (Pub. Util. Code § 21670 et seq.) and are planning documents intended to promote compatibility between the Airports and the surrounding environment. This is accomplished through regulation of future development of residential and non-residential land uses within each Airport's Airport Influence Area (AIA).

**PROJECT LOCATION & DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The ALUCPs address areas within the Airport Influence Areas (AIAs) for five airports in Santa Barbara County. These airports include Santa Barbara Airport, Santa Maria Airport, Lompoc Airport, Vandenberg Space Force Base, and Santa Ynez Airport. The IS/ND may be obtained, and all documents referenced in the IS/ND may be reviewed at SBCAG offices located at 260 North San Antonio Road, Suite B, Santa Barbara, CA, 93110. In addition, the IS/ND is available online at <a href="http://www.sbcag.org/airport-land-use-commission.html">http://www.sbcag.org/airport-land-use-commission.html</a>.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT:** The CEQA comment period starts October 27, 2022 and ends December 2, 2022. You may comment by providing testimony at the public remote, virtual meetings on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, from 12:00 to 1:00 PM and from 5:00 to 6:00 PM. SBCAG staff will also conduct the meetings remotely with details for connection to be provided on the project website. You may submit written or oral comments to SBCAG prior to the close of public comment on December 2, 2022, at 5 p.m. Please provide comments at the public meetings or to Andrew Orfila, Principal Transportation Planner, at 260 North San Antonio Road, Suite B, Santa Barbara, CA, 93110, by email at <u>aorfila@sbcag.org</u>, or call (805) 961-8900 or fax to (805) 961-8901, prior to December 2, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FINDINGS:** The Santa Barbara County Association of Governments, acting in its capacity as the Airport Land Use Commission for Santa Barbara County, as the Lead Agency, proposes to adopt a Negative Declaration for the above described project. The IS/ND concludes that there is no substantial evidence in the record that this project may have direct, indirect or cumulative effects on the environment that may be significant or any adverse effects that fall within the "Mandatory Findings of Significance" contained in §15065 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

The Airport Land Use Commission will conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of the Negative Declaration at their regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, December 17, 2022. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in any of the hearings listed above, please contact us at (805) 961-8900. Please notify us at least 48 hours prior to the event to make reasonable arrangements.