

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO  
PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

**RECOMMENDED FINDINGS**

Permit File Number: PLN 2015-00149

Board Meeting Date: June 16, 2015

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For Adoption By: Board of Supervisors

**RECOMMENDED FINDINGS:**

**Regarding the Environmental Review, Find:**

1. That the proposed Ordinance Code amendments are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Public Resources Code, Section 15061(b)(3). The amendments are covered by the General Rule, which states that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. There is no evidence to suggest that the proposed amendments to the Zoning Regulations will have a significant impact on the natural or built environment.

**Regarding Adoption of Amendments to Chapter 35.5 (Flood Hazard Areas) of the San Mateo County Ordinance Code (Zoning Regulations), Find:**

2. That in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare, it is in the public's interest for the County to amend its regulations regarding implementation of the Flood Hazard Regulations.
3. That the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors has determined that the County's Flood Hazard Regulations should be amended to ensure that they reflect the requirements of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and that the County's Flood Hazard Regulations fully reflect County staff's practice of complying with all current requirements of FEMA.
4. That the proposed amendments address these findings, and furthermore are consistent with the Commitments and Goals of the County's Shared Vision 2025 document, as stated in the Vision Alignment Section of the staff report.