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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): California Dept. of Transportation
100 South Main St., Suite 100, Main Station 16A
Los Angeles, CA 90012

County Clerk
County of: Ventura

(Address)

Project Title: Ventura Bridge Overhead Span Replacement Project

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:
SR-01, PM: 21.54

Project Location - City: N/A Project Location - County: Ventura

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The project will replace the steel span of the bridge that spans over Union Pacific Railroad tracks, retrofit column bents, and upgrade bridge rails to meet the requirements of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15301 Existing Facilities Class 1
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:
Project is a bridge rehabilitation.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Lillian Cai Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 213-897-1184

If filed by applicant:

- 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: [Signature] Date: 06/12/19 Title: Environmental Planner

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: JUN 17 2019

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CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM

07-VEN-01 21.54 31960 EFIS: 0716000025 CE#: 201810003
 Dist.-Co.-Rte. (or Local Agency) P.M./P.M. E.A/Project No. Federal-Aid Project No. (Local Project)/Project No.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: (Briefly describe project including need, purpose, location, limits, right-of-way requirements, and activities involved in this box. Use Continuation Sheet, if necessary.)

Caltrans proposes to repair and upgrade the existing structure of the Ventura Overhead Bridge (Bridge #52-0040) on Route 1 in Ventura County at post-mile 21.54. The project will replace the steel span of the bridge that spans over Union Pacific Railroad tracks, retrofit column bents, and upgrade bridge rails to meet the requirements of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972. Utility will be relocated as a part of this project. Two parcels will be acquired for aerial and ground easement, and 3 permanent access parcels will be required for construction and future maintenance.

CALTRANS CEQA DETERMINATION (Check one)

Not Applicable – Caltrans is not the CEQA Lead Agency Not Applicable – Caltrans has prepared an Initial Study or Environmental Impact Report under CEQA

Based on an examination of this proposal, supporting information, and the above statements, the project is:

Exempt by Statute. (PRC 21080[b]; 14 CCR 15260 et seq.)
 Categorically Exempt. Class 1. (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the following statements are true and exceptions do not apply:

- If this project falls within exempt class 3, 4, 5, 6 or 11, it does not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law.
- There will not be a significant cumulative effect by this project and successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time.
- There is not a reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.
- This project does not damage a scenic resource within an officially designated state scenic highway.
- This project is not located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Govt. Code § 65962.5 ("Cortese List").
- This project does not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

Common Sense Exemption. [This project does not fall within an exempt class, but it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment (14 CCR 15061[b][3].)]

Susan Tse Koo
 Print Name: Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Ravi GHATE
 Print Name: Project Manager

Susan Tse Koo 06/07/19
 Signature Date

Ravi Ghate 06/07/2019
 Signature Date

NEPA COMPLIANCE

In accordance with 23 CFR 771.117, and based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the State has determined that this project:

- does not individually or cumulatively have a significant impact on the environment as defined by NEPA, and is excluded from the requirements to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and
- has considered unusual circumstances pursuant to 23 CFR 771.117(b).

CALTRANS NEPA DETERMINATION (Check one)

23 USC 326: The State has determined that this project has no significant impacts on the environment as defined by NEPA, and that there are no unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b). As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act. The State has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title 23, United States Code, Section 326 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 31, 2016, executed between the FHWA and the State. The State has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:

- 23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)(28)
- 23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)()
- Activity ___ listed in Appendix A of the MOU between FHWA and the State

23 USC 327: Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the State has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under 23 USC 327. The environmental review, consultation, and any other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by Caltrans pursuant to 23 USC 327 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated December 23, 2016 and executed by FHWA and Caltrans.

Susan Tse Koo
 Print Name: Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Ravi Ghate
 Print Name: Project Manager/DLA Engineer

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 Signature Date

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Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion: 06/07/2019 Date of ECR or equivalent : 06/07/2019

Briefly list environmental commitments on continuation sheet. Reference additional information, as appropriate (e.g., CE checklist, additional studies and design conditions).

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM
Continuation Sheet

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- Equipment and materials storage sites will be located as far away from residential and park uses as practicable. Construction areas will be kept clean and orderly.
- Dust and mud that are deposited on paved, public roads due to construction activity and traffic will be promptly and regularly removed to decrease particulate matter.

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