



**.CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
DETERMINATION FORM (rev.05/2020)**

Project Information

DIST-CO-RTE: 03-BUT-99

PM/PM: 30.55/30.65

EA: 03-1J350 **Federal-Aid Project Number:** N/A

Project Description

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 3, proposes to maximize the efficiency of the existing ramp meter located at NB SR 99 Slip on ramp from Skyway Rd to help relieve traffic congestion on the freeway and decrease peak hours of delay

as well as improve safety by installing a new Ramp Meter at NB SR 99 Loop on Ramp from Skyway rd. The project is needed because NB SR 99 at Skyway onramp experiences recurrent congestion contributing to increased delay and uncontrolled traffic entering the freeway. Ramp metering is needed to improve mainline operations

Caltrans CEQA Determination (Check one)

- Not Applicable** – Caltrans is not the CEQA Lead Agency
- Not Applicable** – Caltrans has prepared an IS or EIR under CEQA

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, 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.)
 - No exceptions apply that would bar the use of a categorical exemption (PRC 21084 and 14 CCR 15300.2). See the [SER Chapter 34](#) for exceptions.
- Covered by the 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].)

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

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Project Manager

Yashaswi Valluripalli	<i>Yashaswi Valluripalli</i>	12/17/2020
Print Name	Signature	Date



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Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

Caltrans 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). See SER Chapter 30 for unusual circumstances. As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under NEPA and is included under the following:

- 23 USC 326: Caltrans has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to 23 USC 326 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated April 18, 2019, executed between FHWA and Caltrans. Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:
- 23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)(Enter activity number)
- 23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)(Enter activity number)
- Activity Enter activity number listed in Appendix A of the MOU between FHWA and Caltrans
23 USC 327: Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, Caltrans 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.

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

NA Print Name, NA Signature, Date

Project Manager/ DLA Engineer

NA Print Name, NA Signature, Date

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion: Enter date
Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: 12/8/20

Briefly list environmental commitments on continuation sheet if needed (i.e., not necessary if included on an attached ECR). Reference additional information, as appropriate (e.g., additional studies and design conditions).



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Continuation sheet:

Scope of Work

Location 1 PM 30.55

- Install two type 1B signs (Ramp Meter Ahead Sign)
 - Foundation: 2.5 feet diameter and 7 feet depth
- Install two Type D Flashing Beacon signs
- Paint limit line for two lanes
- Install PCC PAD for cabinet (10.5 x 6 x 4)
- Construction of Maintenance Vehicle Pullout (MVP)
- Trenching or directional drilling to install conduits.
 - Install conduits to a minimum depth of 4 feet and maximum depth of 6 feet
 - Trenching: 12" wide and 30" depth
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Location 2 PM 30.65

- Install a Rotating Traffic Signal Pole
 - Foundation: 2.5 feet diameter and 7 feet depth
- Paint limit line for two lanes
- Construction of Maintenance Vehicle Pullout (MVP)
- Trenching or directional drilling to install conduits
 - Install conduits to a minimum depth of 4 feet and maximum depth of 6 feet
 - Trenching: 12" wide and 30" depth

Additional Scope of Work

- Ramp closure
- Night Work

Environmental Commitments

Hazardous Waste

SSP 7-1.02K(6)(J)(iii) includes specifications for handling, removing, disposing of unregulated earth material containing lead. Management of this material exposes workers to health hazards that must be addressed in the lead compliance plan.

SSP 36.4 disturbance of traffic striping