

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Southern California Regional Rail Authority
(Public Agency) (SCRRA) 900 Wilshire Boulevard #1500
Los Angeles, CA 90017

County Clerk Los Angeles
County of

(Address)

Project Title: El Monte Siding Extension Project

Project Applicant: SCRRA

Project Location – Specific:

El Monte Station is located in the City of El Monte in Los Angeles County on SCRRA's San Gabriel Subdivision at Mile Post (MP) 12.6 and 10925 Railroad Street between Santa Anita and Tyler Avenues north of Valley Boulevard. The siding extension would have an eastern termination at MP 13.5.

Project Location – City: El Monte

Project Location – County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Project involves grade crossing improvements at El Monte Station and Tyler Avenue and extension of existing track siding by approximately 3,170 feet. The Project would improve safety by reducing conflicting train movements, and improve reliability by allowing more efficient train operations. See attached project description for details.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: SCRRA

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: SCRRA

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));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: 15275

Reasons why the project is exempt:

The Project would increase commuter and passenger service by extending existing track siding on an existing rail line and involves pedestrian at-grade crossing safety and reliability improvements, including elimination of an existing unprotected pedestrian at-grade crossing and installation of sidewalk improvements to allow safe passage.

Lead Agency

Contact Person:

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If filed by the 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: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

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: _____