

**Notice of Exemption**

**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
County Clerk  
County of: Fresno  
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From: (Public Agency) Caltrans, Dist. 06  
855 M Street, Suite 200  
Fresno CA 93721

Project Title: FRE41 MEDIAN BARRIER

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:

The project is located on State Route 41 between post miles R0.50 and M5.90, east of Caruthers, and south of Easton, in southern Fresno County.

Project Location - City: Fresno Project Location - County: FRE

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose and need for this project is to improve safety by reducing the number of collisions in the project area.

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));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1(c)
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason why project is exempt:

The proposed project would reduce collisions and fatalities by placing a median barrier on the centerline. Crash cushions would be placed and provide animal crossings every 1,000 feet. No permits or mitigation are required. Native American monitoring would be performed by representatives of the Santa Rosa Rancheria. No right of way would be acquired.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: William Trais Norris, III Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (559) 601-3521

**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: *William Trais Norris, III* Date: 2/10/2021 Title: Senior 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 \_\_\_\_\_