

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
County Clerk
County of: _____

From: (Public Agency) Caltrans, Dist. 06
2015 E. Shields Ave
Fresno CA 93726

Project Title: Tulare Six-lane and Paige Avenue Interchange Improvement Project

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:

State Route 99 in the City of Tulare from just south of the Overcrossing to just north of the Prosperity Avenue Overcrossing, between post mile 25.2 and 30.6.

Project Location - City: Tulare Project Location - County: TUL

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project proposes to perform an exploratory geotechnical investigation, to determine subsurface composition at the Paige Avenue Overcrossing. Also, at the 3 soundwalls, 3 retaining walls, 2 security block walls, and 7 infiltration basins. Three borings will be performed at the bridge location and drilled to maximum depth of 150 feet each. The remaining 18 boring locations will be drilled at the retaining wall, soundwall and block wall locations at a maximum depth of 50 feet. Three infiltration test boring will also be performed at the 7 infiltration basins at a depth of 15 feet. The width of each borehole are typically 4-8 inches in diameter. The drilling equipment consist of a truck-mounted, trailer mounted, or all terrain drill rig equipped with a Standard Penetration Test hammer and support equipment including water tender, and a crew cab with trailer.

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 6 (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reason why project is exempt:

This project will not have a significant impact on the environment.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Judith Lopez Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (559) 240-5068

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: Judith Lopez Date: 8/22/2024 Title: Senior Environmental Scientist

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 _____