

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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

From: (Public Agency) Caltrans, Dist. 05
50 Higuera Street
San Luis Obispo CA 93401-5415

Project Title: SLO 101/166 Traffic Signals

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:

On State Route 166 at the interchange of Route 166 and Route 101, Post Mile 8.9.

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: SLO

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Traffic signals would be installed at both east and west sides of the interchange on ramps and local roads. Existing traffic striping would be removed and replaced and existing pavement would be cold-planed and repaved to accommodate the restriping. Trenching for new electrical conduit would be constructed mostly under existing disturbed/paved areas to connect with new controller cabinets installed within ten feet of existing pavement. Signal foundations and pull boxes would be installed within ten feet of existing pavement.

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), 14 CCR Section 15301.
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reason why project is exempt:

The purpose of the project is to reduce traffic queuing during peak periods at the interchange of Route 166/Route 101 and thereby improve traffic operations. The project would not involve expansion of the existing or former use of the highway facilities. No significant environmental effects on the environment, individual or cumulative, would result from the proposed improvements.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Matthew C. Fowler Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (805) 779-0793

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:  Date: 6/11/21 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 _____