

**CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 04/2021)**

Project Information

Project Name (if applicable): Multi-Location Bike/Ped Safety Improvements

DIST-CO-RTE: 03-VAR-VAR

PM/PM: VAR

EA: 03-0J920

Federal-Aid Project Number: N/A

Project Description

The Caltrans 2018 Bicyclist Safety Improvement Monitoring Report (BSMIR) identified various locations throughout District 03 requiring corrective action to address bike/ped vs. vehicle collisions at High Collision Concentration Locations (HCCLs) and High Collision Corridors (HCCs). The report found 64 bicyclist involved collisions shared across eight HCCLs and three HCCs which make up the six project locations. Those locations and scope are described on the attachment (page 3). The purpose of the project is to improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians and reduce the number of bicyclist-involved collisions by sixteen over the life of the project. This project is both state and federally funded. All work is within the Caltrans right of way.

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

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Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

Not Applicable

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)(3) Construction of bicycle and pedestrian lanes, paths, and facilities.

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.

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Project Manager/ DLA Engineer

Andrew Huang	<i>Andrew Huang</i>	7/8/21
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Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion (if applicable): 07/08/2021

Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: 07/07/2021

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).

Continuation sheet:**Scope of Work and Locations**

No.	Route	Post Mile	Location	Proposed
1	BUT-32	PM 7.1-R8.36	Chico	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add continuous green bike lane treatment 2. Add directional bicyclist stencils 3. Enhance crosswalk visibility 4. Add and update signage 5. Add curb ramp
2	PLA-28	PM 0.24-0.52	Tahoe City	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remove existing pavement delineation 2. Restripe corridor to include separated bike lanes with continuous green treatment 3. Install Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons 4. Add Signage 5. Add bicycle lane pavement markings
3	SAC-50	PM R7.5-R7.6	Bradshaw OC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enhance crosswalk visibility 2. Add signage (incl. R10-15 yield signs) 3. Add advance limit line before crosswalk 4. Move signal loops 5. Install countdown pedestrian signal heads 6. Add green bike lane treatment through on/off ramp conflict points 7. Add bicycle lane pavement markings 8. Extending Island at on-ramp
4	SAC-50	PM R9.3-R9.7	Mather Field OC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Move limit line 2. Add signage to direct bike and peds to use the new path 3. Remove current bike lane stencils 4. Add green bike lane treatment and directional bicyclist stencil. 5. Enhance crosswalk visibility 7. Add signage (including R10-15 yield signs)
5	SAC-80	PM M10.146-M10.274	Watt Ave OC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enhance crosswalk visibility 2. Move limit line and signal loops 3. Add bus lane improvements 4. Install countdown pedestrian signal heads
6	SUT-20	R14.84-R16.61	Yuba City	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enhance crosswalk visibility 2. Add 4 new curb ramps and install sidewalk (Tharp Rd.) 3. Modify existing curb ramps (Tharp Rd.) 4. Add continuous green bike lane treatment 5. Add green directional bicyclist stencils 6. Add pedestrian barricades 7. Install countdown pedestrian signal heads



Environmental Commitments Record (ECR)

DIST-CO-RTE: 03 - VAR - VAR **PM/PM:** 0.000/0.000 **EA/Project ID:** 03-0J920_ / 0320000041

Project Description: Enhance crosswalk visibility, add green bike lane treatment, install signs, flashing beacons and countdown pedestrian signal heads, and construct curb ramps and pedestrian barricades to improve bicyclist pedestrian safety.

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PERMITS

Permit	Agency	Application Submitted	Permit Received	Permit Expiration	Permit Requirements Completed by	Permit Requirements Completed on	Comments
1- No Permits Required	n/a						

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS

PS&E/BEFORE RTL

Category	Task and Brief Description	Source	Included in PS&E Package	Responsible Branch/Staff	Action to Comply	Due Date	Task Completed by	Task Completed on	Remarks	Mitigation for significant impacts under CEQA
Hazardous Waste	Provide appropriate specifications to PE/OE	SSP	SSP	haz waste specialist						

PRE-CONSTRUCTION

Category	Task and Brief Description	Source	Included in PS&E Package	Responsible Branch/Staff	Action to Comply	Due Date	Task Completed by	Task Completed on	Remarks	Mitigation for significant impacts under CEQA
Biology	If construction occurs during the migratory bird nesting season (February 1 - September 30), a Caltrans Biologist will need to perform Nesting Bird Surveys within 7 days prior to the start of work.	SSP	SSP	RE/ECL/Bio						