

**Notice of Exemption**

**Appendix E**

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
County Clerk  
County of: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**From:** (Public Agency) Caltrans, Dist. 06  
2015 E Shields, Ste 100  
Fresno CA 93726

Project Title: 180 TO 41 CONNECTOR (RIGHT)

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:

In the city of Fresno, on the State Route 180 connector ramp to State Route 41 at Postmile R58.75 in Fresno County.

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

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project proposes to improve safety on State Route 180 and State Route 41 by removing about 1,100 feet of metal beam guardrail and replacing it with Type 60 concrete barrier along the right side of the connector ramp from westbound State Route 180 to northbound State Route 41. Both ends of the new concrete barrier would be connected at Bridge Number 42-0323J on westbound State Route 180 and Bridge Number 42-0291R on northbound State Route 41. The project is needed to reduce the severity of vehicle accidents and reduce maintenance worker exposure to traffic in this 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: PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason why project is exempt:

The project has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and is considered "exempt" from CEQA under Class 1 of 14 CCR 15300, Existing Facilities, for maintenance repair on existing facilities.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Richard Putler Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (559) 304-6599

**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: Richard Putler Date: 7-21-2021 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 \_\_\_\_\_