



**CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 11/2020)**

<u>Project Information</u>	
Project Name (if applicable): Director's Order RSP Placement	
DIST-CO-RTE: 02-SHA-273	PM/PM: 11.3 Bridge #06-0203
EA: 02-2J990	Federal-Aid Project Number: 0221000159
<u>Project Description</u>	
The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), using state funding only, has placed ¼ ton of RSP beneath the Clear Creek Bridge (Bridge #06-0203). Project work included removing and safely disposing of litter present and placing approximately 1,000 CY of RSP above the ordinary high water mark (OHWM). Continued on page 3.	

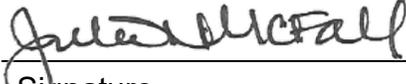
Caltrans CEQA Determination (Check one)

- 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** Class 1c. (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

Julie McFall		9/3/21
Print Name	Signature	Date

Project Manager

Brandon Trent, PE		9/7/21
Print Name	Signature	Date



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Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

[X] 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)(Enter activity number)
[] 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.

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

NA Print Name, NA Signature, NA Date

Project Manager/ DLA Engineer

NA Print Name, NA Signature, NA Date

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion: NA
Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: 9/3/2021

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).



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Continuation sheet:

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Purpose: The purpose of the project is to dissuade individuals experiencing homelessness from frequenting the location in order to reduce the health and safety risk to the general public and Caltrans staff during cleanup activities.

Need: The project is needed because the location requires constant cleanup of litter and is posing a health and safety risk due to the resulting damage to the bridge components of the structure and the risk Caltrans staff members experience during cleanup activities.

Right-of-Way

Acquisitions or TCEs were not needed for this project due to work being confined to ROW.

Staging/Stockpiling

Staging occurred at the nearby Win River Casino in order to access the project location.

Disposal/Borrow Sites

No borrow or disposal sites were required for this project.

Cultural Resources

A letter of notification was delivered to the Redding Rancheria to explain the work scope.

Biological Resources

The bridge crosses Clear Creek; RSP was placed above the OHWM to eliminate any potential impacts to Clear Creek.

Utilities

All utilities in proximity to the location of work were protected in place.