



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

Project Name: Tulare City 2R Rehab
DIST-CO-RTE: 06-TUL 99 **PM/PM:** 27.6/30.6
EA: 06-0W910 **Federal-Aid Project Number:**

Project Description

The project would rehabilitate the two travel lanes in each direction, inside and outside shoulders, gore areas, and the ramps with flexible pavement throughout the project limits. The purpose of the project is to restore and to resurface the existing pavement. In addition to paving, work would include

- Install rumble strips along inside and outside shoulders of freeway
- Replace non-standard sections of metal beam guard railing with Midwest Guardrail System or Concrete barrier
- Repair or replace the 13 existing culverts that convey runoff within the right of way
- New drainage system at Bardsley northbound onramp to fix flooding problem
- Bardsley Ave Overcrossing: upgrade to current standards 8 existing curb ramps
- Improve electrical facilities and upgrade sign panels

All work would be within 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(c).** (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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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)(26)
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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Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion (if applicable): 10/4/21
Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: 10/5/21