

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: (Public Agency): _____

County Clerk

County of: _____

(Address)

Project Title: _____

Project Applicant: _____

Project Location - Specific:

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

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: _____

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: _____

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: _____
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Lead Agency

Contact Person: _____ Area Code/Telephone/Extension: _____

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: Gail St John Date: _____ Title: _____

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: _____



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

Project Information

Project Name (if applicable): Sac 99 Clean California Beautification and Safety

DIST-CO-RTE: 03-SAC-99

PM/PM: 17.2-24.2

EA: 03-2J780

Federal-Aid Project Number: 0322000099

Project Description

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to make improvements on State Route (SR) 99 in the City of Sacramento in response to the Clean California State Beautification Program of 2021 authorized under Assembly Bill 149. The improvements would occur at 11 locations and four pedestrian overcrossings on SR 99 between post miles (PM) 17.2 and 24.22. (See Continuation Sheet)

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

Gail St. John	<i>Gail St John</i>	12/7/2021
Print Name	Signature	Date

Project Manager

Robert Nguyen	<i>Robert Nguyen</i>	12/07/2021
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

N/A

Print Name

Signature

Date

Project Manager/ DLA Engineer

N/A

Print Name

Signature

Date

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion (if applicable): N/A

Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: N/A – See attached

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:

The existing fencing on structures along SR 99 is old and not very appealing. The existing soundwalls have spot locations that are covered in anti-graffiti paint. Undercrossing locations are not well lit and invite homelessness and/or illegal activities.

The purpose of the proposed project is to improve safety for the travelling public, pedestrians, and Caltrans personnel as well as improve the aesthetics along SR 99 between PM 17.2 and 24.2.

The proposed Clean CA 2021 project includes the following improvements:

Location 1 – SR 99 at the Stockton Boulevard On-ramp Overcrossing (bridge no. 24-0134k), PM 17.2

- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)

Location 2 – SR 99 at the Mack Road Overcrossing (bridge number 24-0135), PM 17.6, and at the Mack Road Interchange

- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)

Location 3 – SR 99 at the Florin Road Overcrossing (bridge number 24-0167), PM 19.6, and at the Florin Road Interchange

- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)
- Install aesthetic fencing along southbound off-ramp (beautification)
- Install art panels on existing soundwall along northbound slip on-ramp (beautification)

Location 4 – SR 99 at the 47th Avenue Overcrossing (bridge number 24-0152), PM 20.9, and at the 47th Avenue Interchange

- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)

Location 5 – SR 99 at 41st Avenue Overcrossing (bridge number 24-0146), PM 21.3

- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)

Location 6 – SR 99 at Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard Overcrossing (bridge number 24-0147), PM 21.6

- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)

Location 7 – SR 99 at Fruitridge Road Overcrossing (bridge number 24-0148), PM 21.9, and at the Fruitridge Road Interchange

- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)
- Install art panels on existing soundwall along northbound slip on-ramp (beautification)



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Location 8 – SR 99 on 21st Avenue at the 21st Avenue Undercrossing (bridge number 24-0154), PM 22.6

- Install art on undercrossing walls (transportation art and beautification)
- Install new fencing (beautification and safety)

Location 9 – SR 99 on 12th Avenue and at the 12th Avenue Overcrossing (bridge number 24-0161), PM 23.1, and on SR 99 below

- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)

Location 10 – SR 99 on 5th Avenue at the 5th Avenue Overcrossing (bridge number 24-0156), PM 23.7

- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)
- Upgrade pedestrian lighting on 5th Avenue (safety)

Location 11 – SR 99 on 2nd Avenue at the 2nd Avenue Undercrossing (bridge number 24-0157), PM 24.0

- Install new and additional lighting (safety)
- Install art on undercrossing walls (transportation art and beautification)

Pedestrian Overcrossings (POC):

Location A – Turnbridge Drive POC (bridge number 24-0169), PM 20.2

- Install art panels on existing soundwalls near overcrossing along northbound SR 99 (beautification)
- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)

Location B – 44th Avenue POC (bridge number 24-0145), PM 21.1

- Install art panels on existing soundwalls near overcrossing (beautification)
- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)

Location C – 27th Avenue POC (bridge number 24-0153), PM 22.2

- Install art panels on existing soundwalls near overcrossing (beautification)
- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)

Location D – 8th Avenue POC (bridge number 24-0162), PM 23.4

- Install art panels on existing soundwalls near overcrossing (beautification)
- Install aesthetic fencing on structure (beautification)

Environmental Commitments:

Cultural Resources: None - Screened Undertaking memo (C. Buitenhuis 11/9/21)

Biology: None - Qualifies for Programmatic No Effect (K. Russo 11/3/21)

Hazardous Materials: ISA – Potential for aerially deposited lead, thermoplastic/paint stripe/pavement marking, and treated wood waste (A. Mangat 11/12/21). The proposed project is not within or impacting any site on the Cortese List.



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Environmental Commitments (continued):

Include the following SSPs and costs in the construction contract and BEES:

- SSP 7-1.02K(6)(j)(iii)_unregulated earth material containing lead
- SSP 36-4_ containing lead from paint and thermoplastic
- SSP 14-11.14_ treated wood waste
- \$3,000 for Lead Compliance Plan (Item 070030)
- Treated Wood Waste Fees (if any)