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LEAD AGENCY City of Ridgecrest

PROJECT TITLE China Lake Blvd. Adaptive Traffic Signal Upgrades Project,

Project No. HSIPSL-5385(072)

PROJECT APPLICANT City of Ridgecrest

PHONE NUMBER (760) 499-5000

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 100 W. California Avenue

CITY Ridgecrest STATE CA ZIP CODE 93555

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CONTACT PERSON Travis Reed, P/W Director PHONE NUMBER (760) 499-5000

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: ___ Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, California 95814-3044

FROM: City of Ridgecrest
Department of Public Works
100 W. California Avenue
Ridgecrest, California 93555

X County Clerk
County of Kern California
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301-4639

Project Title: China Lake Blvd. Adaptive Traffic Signal Upgrades Project,
Project No. HSIPSL-5385(072)

Project Location: China Lake Blvd., between Ridgecrest Blvd. and College Heights Blvd.,
Ridgecrest, Kern County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries: See attached project description

Public Agency Approving Project: City of Ridgecrest Public Works Department

Name of Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Ridgecrest

This is to advise that the City of Ridgecrest Public Works Department has approved the above described project on _____ and has made the determination that the project is exempt due to the following:

Exempt Status (check one):

- Ministerial (§ 21080 (b) (1); § 15268)
- Declared Emergency (§ 21080 (b) (3); § 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (§ 21080 (B) (4); § 15269(b) (c))
- Categorical Exemption: Class 1: Minor Alteration of Existing Public Facilities Involving No Expansion of Existing or Former Use (§§ 15301(c), (f))
- Statutory Exemption (§ _____)

Reason(s) why project is exempt: The project is limited to modifying existing traffic signals, upgrading controller units and signal timing to conform to current State requirements. No excavation is proposed.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Travis Reed, Director, Department of Public Works

Signature:  Date: 1/18/20

Project Description:

The proposed project is within the City of Ridgecrest (Kern County) and includes the design and construction of six (6) traffic signal modifications and traffic signal timing updates for China Lake Boulevard at the intersections of: California Avenue, Church Avenue, Upjohn Avenue, Rader Avenue, Bowman Road, and College Heights Boulevard. The proposed improvements will include upgrading the traffic signal controller units and implementing Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI) signal timing. Furthermore, the traffic signal timing charts will be updated to current California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD) requirements. This project would involve equipment upgrades only and no excavation is required.

The project has independent utility and will not require future construction to function; it does not require new right-of-way and does not involve landscaping activities that use known invasive plant species. All work is within City right-of-way.

Setting: China Lake Blvd. is bordered by various commercial land uses. There is no natural habitat within or immediately adjacent to the project boundaries.

Beneficiaries:

Ridgecrest residents and visitors will benefit from improved signal timing along China Lake Blvd.

