

Notice of Exemption

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State Clearinghouse Number: 2022010388

Project Title: EPIMS-HUM-27736-R1C, HUM 299 Curve Improvement Project (EA 01-0J410)

Project Location: This Project is located on State Route (SR) 299 between post miles (PMs) 30.7 and 33.4 near the town of Willow Creek in Humboldt County. From U.S. Route 101 take the SR 299 East exit to between 0.1 Miles East of Cedar Creek Road and 0.1 Miles East of East Fork Willow Creek Bridge.

Project Description: In accordance with the Notification and supporting documents, the purpose of the project is to improve road corridor safety for motorists, bicycles, and pedestrians, and includes shoulder widening with construction of five retaining walls, installing rumble strips, upgrading guardrails, and installing thermoplastic markings, as well as modifications to 23 culverts and drainage systems.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation

Exempt Status:

- Statutory Exemption.
- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15301

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is to modify existing culverts and drainage systems. There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, threatened, or rare species or their habitat pursuant to §15065. There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed. The project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.

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