



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

Project Information

Project Name (if applicable): Piercy Microsurfacing

DIST-CO-RTE: 01-MEN-101

PM/PM: R100.1/R106.8

EA: 01-0M090

Federal-Aid Project Number: N/A

Project Description

Caltrans proposes to place micro-surfacing as a form of preventative maintenance on Highway 101 from post mile R100.1 to R106.8 from South Fork Eel River Bridge 10-300 to the Mendocino/Humboldt County line.

The work will occur over approximately 30-40 working days and consists of replacing asphalt concrete surfacing, placing crack treatment, removing existing stripe and pavement markers, placing micro-surfacing, placing shoulder backing on existing shoulder backing (at locations with existing low shoulders at edge-of-pavement (EP), replacing rumble strips, and replacing pavement delineation. All work will be within the existing State right of way. Equipment staging will be confined to paved surfaces and existing non-vegetated turnouts. There will be no tree removal. Environmental reviews were conducted for air quality, noise, greenhouse gases, visual, water quality, biological resources, cultural resources, and determined to have no significant impacts on the environment.

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 15301 (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

Darrell Cardiff

Print Name

Darrell Cardiff

Signature

07/01/2022

Date



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Project Manager

Chris Ghidinelli Chris Ghidinelli 07/05/2022
Print Name Signature Date

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

Print Name Signature Date
Project Manager, DDA Engineer
Not Applicable
Print Name Signature Date



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

Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: 4/14/2022

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).

Continuation sheet:

Technical Studies Completed	Date Completed
Biological No Effects Memo	4/19/2022
Cultural Studies Screening Memo	6/21/2022
Visual Impact Review	4/20/2022
Hazardous Waste: Initial Site Assessment	4/14/2022
Water Quality Checklist	6/21/2022
Greenhouse Gas, Noise and Air Quality reviews	6/30/2022

Environmental Commitments

Hazardous Waste

- For ground disturbance of Aerially Deposited Lead, comply with SSP 7-1.02K(j)(6)(iii)
- For grinding of thermoplastic striping, comply with SSP 36-4 or
- For removal of thermoplastic without grinding, comply with 84-9.03B
- A Lead Compliance Plan as a contract item is required.

No regulatory permits are required.

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