

**Notice of Exemption**

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**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2022080077

**Project Title:** EPIMS-MEN-31510-R1C, REPLACE CULVERT MEN-1-92.66, EA 01-0L750

**Project Location:** The Project is located on State Route 1 at post mile 92.66 approximately 13 miles west of Leggett in Mendocino County. From U.S. Route 101 in Leggett, take SR 1 West to PM 92.66, located at lat/long 39.7969, -123.8194.

**Project Description:** The project will replace a deteriorated 30-inch corrugated steel pile culvert and downdrain, construct a headwall at the inlet, and reconstruct the eroded roadway embankment under the failed down drain. All work will occur within the State right-of-way, and within the currently developed transportation infrastructure. The project maintains the original line, grade, and purpose of the transportation facility. The project will not increase runoff. All work will be done from the roadway and ample shoulder and turnout areas are available for temporary material and equipment storage. No tree removal is required and no vegetation that has any potential to provide nesting habitat for birds will be removed.

**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 an in-kind culvert replacement project. 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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