

**Notice of Exemption**

**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
County Clerk  
County of: \_\_\_\_\_  
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From: (Public Agency) Caltrans, Dist. 06  
Caltrans - District 6  
2015 E. Shields CA 93726

Project Title: SR 41 ENHANCEMENT AT THE TULARE AVE & DIVISADERO AVE IC Project (06-1E760)

Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific: On SR 41 near the Tulare/Divisadero interchange

Project Location - City: Fresno Project Location - County: FRE

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project is on SR 41 near Tulare Ave. and Divisadero St. It will enhance and beautify the gore areas by installing rock blanket, stamped concrete in raised median, and replace dead vegetation with drought tolerant plants. It will also install standard plan decorative fencing along the bridge rail at the interchange of Tulare Street and Divisadero Street. The purpose of the project is to enhance and beautify the area surrounding SR 41 to provide a more attractive space for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists. It is needed to prevent trash accumulation and maintain aesthetics that aligns with the City of Fresno’s current visual identity and character.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

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

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: 4 (b)
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason why project is exempt:

This is a highway beautification project that will enhance the interchange making it more attractive pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists. There are no impacts associated with these beautification improvements.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Trais Norris Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (209) 601-3521

**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: *J. William "Trais" Norris, AIA* Date: 10/24/2022 Title: Senior Environmental Planner

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 \_\_\_\_\_