

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): _____

County Clerk

County of: _____

(Address)

Project Title: Caltrans Encroachment Permit (0223-6UC-0067) for PG&E's Utility Pole Maintenance Project Along State Route 273 in the City of Redding _____

Project Applicant: _____

Project Location - Specific:

Work within Caltrans' right-of-way is located along state route 273 in Shasta County at post mile 11.0. The project is located in the city of Redding.

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: _____

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

PG&E is proposing to perform maintenance work on utility poles within Caltrans' right-of-way along state route (SR) 273 in Shasta County at post mile 11.0. The work would include installation of one anchor, two down guy wires, and one 218' span guy wire and replacement of one 65' transmission utility pole, one anchor, two down guy wires, and three 218' span guy wires with a new 75' pole, one anchor, two down guy wires, and three 218' span guy wires located approximately 27 feet from the edge of traveled way. Aerial wires will temporarily be suspended along SR 273 at PM 11.0. The existing conductors span parallel and across the highway. During construction, the aerial wires spanning along SR 273 will be detached and reattached. Two safety measures will be implemented when moving overhead electric conductors: (1) subject conductors will be moved/held with a material handler on bucket trucks rated to move wires safely (a crane/boom truck with a steel choker will embrace the conductors in place) and (2) wires will be held by rig and hoist and a boom truck will be placed to provide a safety arm to catch any potential wire slip. Traffic control will be provided while performing the work. The shoulder and/or lane closure will be taken in accordance with Caltrans standard traffic control plan T-11. Caltrans will issue an encroachment permit (0223-6UC-0067) for work occurring within Caltrans' right-of-way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: _____

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: _____

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: _____
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

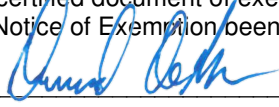
The California Department of Transportation has determined the project to be categorically exempt in accordance with Section 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction) Class 2 — Replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. The project would not have a significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: _____ Area Code/Telephone/Extension: _____

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:  _____ Date: _____ Title: _____

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: _____