

23-035

**Notice of Exemption**

(Note: this project is exempt from filing fees pursuant to Government Code Section 610)

**TO:**  Office of Planning and Research  
For U.S. Mail Street Address  
P.O Box 3044, Room 113 1400 Tenth St.  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 Sacramento, CA 95814

County Clerk  
County of Kings  
Kings County Government Center  
Hanford, California 93230

**FROM:** Kings County Public Works Department  
Kings County Government Center  
Hanford, CA 93230

Date Received For Filing

<p><b>ORIGINAL FILED</b></p> <p><b>MAY 11 2023</b></p> <p><b>KRISTINE LEE KINGS COUNTY CLERK</b></p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>I declare, under penalty of perjury, that on the date below I posted a copy of this notice in the office of the County Clerk that said notice remained posted for 30 days Date <u>05/11/2023</u> KRISTINE LEE, County Clerk Recorder By <u>[Signature]</u> Deputy</p>
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**PROJECT TITLE:**  
Avenal Cutoff Road Roadway Improvements Project

**PROJECT APPLICANT:**  
Kings County Public Works Department

**PROJECT LOCATION - Specific:**  
Fifteen (15) mile portion of Avenal Cutoff Road between the California Aqueduct and State Route (SR) 198

**PROJECT LOCATION - City**  
Unincorporated Areas within Kings County

**PROJECT LOCATION - County:**  
Kings

**DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:**  
Removal and resurfacing of fifteen (15) miles of existing County road through five (5) phases of construction to provide safety and operational improvements.

**NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT:**  
Kings County Public Works Department

**NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT:**  
Kings County Public Works Department, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd. #6, Hanford, CA 93230, (559) 852-2601

**EXEMPT STATUS: (check one)**

- Ministerial (Section 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: CEQA Guidelines Section 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**  
The project involves negligible or no expansion of use. The roadway would remain a two-lane highway and the alterations to the roadway are not intended to accommodate an increased volume of traffic.

**CONTACT PERSON:**  
Mitchel Cabrera, P.E.

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:**  
(559) 852 - 2601

*Mitchel Cabrera*  
Signature:  
Title: Chief Engineer  
Date: 05/11/2023



**State of California**

**GOVERNMENT CODE**

**Section 6103**

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6103. (a) Neither the state nor any county, city, district, or other political subdivision, nor any public officer or body, acting in the public officer's or body's official capacity on behalf of the state, or any county, city, district, or other political subdivision, shall pay or deposit any fee for the filing of any document or paper, for the performance of any official service, or for the filing of any stipulation or agreement that may constitute an appearance in any court by any other party to the stipulation or agreement. This section does not apply to civil jury fees or civil jury deposits. This section does not apply to the State Compensation Insurance Fund or where a public officer is acting with reference to private assets or obligations that have come under that officer's jurisdiction by virtue of that officer's office, or where it is specifically provided otherwise.

(b) No fee shall be charged to any of the public agencies named in this section to defray the costs of reporting services by court reporters. Such fees shall be recoverable as costs as provided in Section 6103.5.

(c) This section shall apply to probate referees, as described in Part 12 (commencing with Section 400) of Division 2 of the Probate Code.

(Amended by Stats. 2022, Ch. 851, Sec. 4. (SB 688) Effective January 1, 2023.)