

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency) Caltrans District 5
50 Higuera Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

(Address)

County Clerk

County of: Santa Barbara
P.O. Box 159
Santa Barbara, CA 93102

Project Title: Santa Barbara 101 Pave Project

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Project Location—Specific:

Santa Barbara County (incorporated & unincorporated), HWY 101, PM 12.44 - 22.54

Project Location—City: Santa Barbara & Goleta Project Location—County: Santa Barbara

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project proposes to preserve 56.7 lane miles of existing asphalt concrete pavement on SR 101 in Santa Barbara County. This project's anchor asset is pavement, plus rehabilitation of other assets. Additional asset improvements include the following: drainage system restorations, shoulder backing, asphalt concrete (AC) dike replacement, Transportation Management System (TMS) element upgrades, traffic count loops at all ramps, roadside safety improvements, upgrading median concrete barrier and guardrail to MASH standards, bridge rail upgrades and bridge seismic restorations on the North and South State Street Bridge Overcrossings, sign panel replacements, shoulder rumble strips, curb ramp upgrades, and trash capture installations or modifications. A one-year plant establishment period will be completed under the original project EA. The project would occur mostly within the operational right of way, with one temporary construction easement needed for culvert work at PM 16.5.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

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

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: 15301(C)- Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

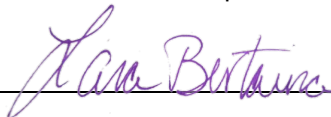
Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is a highway rehabilitation project that will address current deficiencies. The project will involve no expansion of use. The project will not have any significant environmental impacts.

Lead Agency Area Code/Telephone/
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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: 5/23/23 Title: Senior Environmental Scientist

Signed by:

- Lead Agency
- Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date received for filing at OPR: _____
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.