



**CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION  
DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 06/2022)**

**Project Information**

**Project Name (if applicable):** Bakersfield 99 CA Enhancement Project

**DIST-CO-RTE:** 06-KER-99

**PM/PM:** 24.64/24.64

**EA:** 06-1E810

**Federal-Aid Project Number:** 0622000087

**Project Description**

Clean CA enhancement project on SR 99 in Bakersfield at California Ave will include the installation of artistic and functional fencing underneath the SR 99/California Avenue overcrossing, and artistic painting on bridge structures and existing retaining wall.

**Caltrans CEQA Determination** (Check one)

- Not Applicable** – Caltrans is not the CEQA Lead Agency
- Not Applicable** – Caltrans has prepared an IS or EIR under CEQA

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the project is:

- Exempt by Statute.** (PRC 21080[b]; 14 CCR 15260 et seq.)
- Categorically Exempt. Class 1.** (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)
  - No exceptions apply that would bar the use of a categorical exemption (PRC 21084 and 14 CCR 15300.2). See the [SER Chapter 34](#) for exceptions.
- Covered by the Common Sense Exemption.** This project does not fall within an exempt class, but it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment (14 CCR 15061[b][3].)

**Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief**

Trais Norris	<i>J William "Trais" Norris, AIA</i>	6/25/2023
Print Name	Signature	Date

**Project Manager**

Shavonne Conley	<i>Shavonne Conley</i>	6/26/2023
Print Name	Signature	Date



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Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

[X] Not Applicable

Caltrans has determined that this project has no significant impacts on the environment as defined by NEPA, and that there are no unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b). See SER Chapter 30 for unusual circumstances. As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under NEPA and is included under the following:

[ ] 23 USC 326: Caltrans has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to 23 USC 326 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated April 18, 2022, executed between FHWA and Caltrans. Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:

- [ ] 23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)(Enter activity number)
[ ] 23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)(Enter activity number)
[ ] Activity Enter activity number listed in Appendix A of the MOU between FHWA and Caltrans

[ ] 23 USC 327: Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under 23 USC 327. The environmental review, consultation, and any other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by Caltrans pursuant to 23 USC 327 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated May 27, 2022, and executed by FHWA and Caltrans.

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Print Name Signature Date

Project Manager/ DLA Engineer

Print Name Signature Date

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion (if applicable): N/A

Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: 6/25/23

Briefly list environmental commitments on continuation sheet if needed (i.e., not necessary if included on an attached ECR). Reference additional information, as appropriate (e.g., additional studies and design conditions).



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**Continuation sheet:**

See attached Environmental Commitment Record.



## Environmental Commitments Record (ECR)

**DIST-CO-RTE:** 06 - KER - 099 **PM/PM:** 24.640/24.640      **EA/Project ID:** 06-1E810\_ / 0622000087

**Project Description:** Clean CA enhancement project on SR 99 in Bakersfield at California Ave.

**Date (Last modification):** 6/25/2023

**Environmental Planner:** Jeff Sorensen

**Phone:** 559-383-5566

**Construction Liaison:**

**Phone:**

**Resident Engineer:**

**Phone:**

### PERMITS

Permit	Agency	Application Submitted	Permit Received	Permit Expiration	Permit Requirements Completed by	Permit Requirements Completed on	Comments
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### ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS

#### PS&E/BEFORE RTL

Category	Task and Brief Description	Source	Included in PS&E Package	Responsible Branch/Staff	Action to Comply	Due Date	Task Completed by	Task Completed on	Remarks	Mitigation for significant impacts under CEQA
Hazardous Waste	SSP7-1.02K(6)(j)(iii) - handling of unregulated soil	SSP	SSP	Kai Pavel	Include in bid package, requires LCP					
							_____ Signature	_____ Date		

#### CONSTRUCTION

Category	Task and Brief Description	Source	Included in PS&E Package	Responsible Branch/Staff	Action to Comply	Due Date	Task Completed by	Task Completed on	Remarks	Mitigation for significant impacts under CEQA
Biology	If construction is to occur during the avian nesting season (February 1 to September 30), pre-construction surveys for migratory birds will be required. Surveys for migratory birds and raptors must be completed by a qualified biologist no more than 30 days prior to the start of construction. If nesting birds are found within the BSA during the pre-construction surveys during the avian nesting season, the 14-6.03B SSP (Species Protection for Migratory and Non-game Birds) will be required.	SSP	SSP	Raj Gill	Preconstruction Surveys					
							_____ Signature	_____ Date		