Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: (Public Agency) Caltrans District 4
111 Grand Ave
Oakland, CA 94612
(Address)

County Clerk
County of: Alameda, Contra Costa, and Solano

Project Title: Install Traffic Operational Systems, Ramp Metering, and Fiber Optics on Routes 580, 680, and 780

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 4

Project Location—Specific:

I-580: PM 18.82-20.80. I-680: PM R20.0-R21.88, PM R0.0-R25.46, PM R0.0-R0.83. I-780: PM 0.0-7.44.

Project Location—City: Multiple Cities Project Location—County: Alameda, Contra Costa, and Solano

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Installation of fiber-optic cable communication trunk lines, install/upgrade traffic operation systems, and install/upgrade ramp metering elements, including widening and/or creating high occupancy vehicle bypass lanes. Purpose is to close gaps in traffic operation systems and metering elements.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: 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: 1c
- ○ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety), and other alternations such as the addition of bicycle facilities, including but not limited to bicycle parking, bicycle-share facilities and bicycle lanes, transit improvements such as bus lanes, pedestrian crossings, street trees, and other similar alterations.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Lily Mu

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (510) 926-0152

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: 8/1/2023 Title: Environmental Scientist

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: _____