



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

**Project Information**

**Project Name (if applicable):** Delano Maintenance Station

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

**PM/PM:** 54.70

**EA:** 06-1F950

**Federal-Aid Project Number:** 0623000123

**Project Description**

Caltrans proposes to purchase two vacant parcels fronting the east side of Dover Parkway Drive in Delano, Kern County, California. The two parcels are identified as Assessor Parcel Numbers (APN) 521-020-18-00-7 and APN 521-030-08-00-1. Caltrans will be purchasing these parcels for a future maintenance station.

**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 3.** (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**

G William "Trais" Norris, III

Print Name

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Signature

2/13/2024

Date

**Project Manager**

Eltahir Ataelgeed

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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)()

[ ] 23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)()

[ ] Activity 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):

Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: 2/8/2024

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:**

#### **Archaeology:**

If during project development, if undetected subsurface archaeological deposits are unearthed, construction must be halted, and a qualified archaeologist consulted in order to evaluate the significance of the find. The archaeologist will recommend appropriate mitigation measures.

#### **Hazardous Waste:**

If the project scope changes to include excess soil, a project specific lead study will be required. The cost to perform the study may be as much as \$50,000 (06.CC32/500 hours) and would take 4-6 months to complete.

A Lead Compliance Plan (LCP) developed by a Certified Industrial Hygienist(CIH) is required. Caltrans' Standard Special Provision (SSP) 7-1.02K(6)(j)(iii) Earth Material Containing Lead - requires a LCP when lead concentrations are nonhazardous or whenever disturbance (e.g. excavation/grading) of earth material (i.e. soil) that could result in lead exposure will occur and disposal in a permitted landfill is not required. The estimated cost of the LCP is \$3,000.

#### **Air Quality:**

##### **Non-Standard Special Provisions**

If the project disturbs over 5 acres or removes 2,500 cubic yards of soil for at least three days of the project, a Dust Control Plan (DCP) approved by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District will be required for this project.

#### **Water Quality:**

If the project disturbs less than one acre of soil, a Water Pollution Control Program (WPCP) is required to be prepared by the contractor per the Caltrans 2022 Standard Specification Section 13-1 – Water Pollution.

#### **Noise:**

Implementing the following measures would minimize the temporary noise impacts from construction:

- Do not exceed 86 dBA Lmax at 50 feet from the job site activities from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.
- Equip an internal combustion engine with the manufacturer-recommended muffler. Do not operate an internal combustion engine on the job site without the appropriate muffler.