



# CITY OF MENIFEE

## Community Development Department

### NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**  Office of Planning and Research (OPR)  
P.O. Box 3044  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044  
 County of Riverside County Clerk

**FROM:** City of Meniffee  
Public Works / Engineering Department  
29844 Haun Road  
Meniffee, CA 92586

**Project Title/Case No.:** CIP 23-08 – Quail Valley Grid Area Streetlights Project

**Project Location:** The project site is located along various streets in the Quail Valley community within the city limits. The closest major crossroads are Goetz Road to the west and San Jacinto Road to the north. All work will be within existing City rights-of-way (ROW) within the City of Meniffee, County of Riverside, and State of California.

**Project Proposal:** The Quail Valley Grid Area Streetlights Project (CIP 23-08) proposes to install seventeen (17) solar power streetlights along existing roadways, the work includes drilling holes, setting up light poles, and installing solar power luminaires.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Meniffee

**Project Sponsor:** City of Meniffee

**Exempt Status: (Check one)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption (15301) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))    | <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption ( )                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269 (b)(c)) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>15061(b)(3)</u>     |

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

The proposed use has been determined to be Categorically Exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301, Existing Facilities. Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Class 1 includes the following example of a project that would be exempt under this section: (c) [minor alterations to] “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 alterations 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 that do not create additional automobile lanes.” The project is for the minor alteration of an existing paved road and includes installation of streetlights for improvement of public safety, all within the existing City ROW. No additional automobile lanes will be created by the project. The proposed project involves a negligible expansion of the existing use. The project is exempt per Section 15301.

The proposed project is also exempt under the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA (Section 15061(b)(3)). There is no possibility that the activity in question

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will have a significant effect on the environment because the proposed project is occurring in an area that is heavily disturbed and is not environmentally sensitive.

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**Signature**

CIP Engineering Manager  
**Title**

3-21-2024  
**Date**

Date Received for Filing and Posting at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

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