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LEAD AGENCY Kern County Public Works Department

PROJECT TITLE PPNO 8027 Norris Road Pedestrian and Railroad Safety Project

PROJECT APPLICANT Kern County Public Works Department

PHONE NUMBER (661) 862 - 5100

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS: 2700 M Street, Suite 400

CITY Bakersfield STATE CA ZIP CODE 93301

WORK ORDER # 3000-RC00149  30-Day Posting  35-Day Posting  45-Day Posting  Other \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON Jenny Pen-Bell PHONE NUMBER (661) 862 - 5013

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- Notice of Availability.....No Fee
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  - County Administrative Fee.....\$50.00
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- Notice of Exemption.....No Fee
  - County Administrative Fee.....\$50.00

TOTAL \$ 50.00

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1115 Truxtun Ave  
Bakersfield CA 93301  
(661) 868-3588

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**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

AIMEE X. ESPINOZA  
AUDITOR CONTROLLER-COUNTY CLERK  
BY [Signature] DEPUTY

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

FROM: Kern County Public Works Dept.  
2700 "M" Street, Suite 400  
Bakersfield, CA 93301

County Clerk  
County of Kern  
1115 Truxtun Avenue, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Bakersfield, CA 93301

**Project Title:** PPNO 8027 Norris Road Pedestrian and Railroad Safety Project

**Project Location-Specific:** Norris Road

**Project Location-City:** Unincorporated

**Project Location-County:** Kern

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The County of Kern proposes a pedestrian and railroad safety project on Norris Road. The work to be performed consists, in general, of the construction of ADA sidewalks, wheelchair ramps, crosswalks and roadway tie-ins to improve safety for the public.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Kern County Board of Supervisors

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Kern County Public Works Department

**Exempt Status:**

- Consistent with Community Plan, General Plan, or Zoning (Sec.15183)
- Ministerial (Sec. 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Sec. 15269(c))
- Categorical Exemption – Existing Facilities; Section 15301(c)

**Reasons Why Project is Exempt:** Under the provisions of Article 18, Sect. 15268 of the State CEQA Guidelines, the action is exempt from the requirements of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines concerning the evaluation of projects, further environmental review, and the preparation and review of environmental documents. Therefore, no environmental documents were required for consideration of the action taken.

**Contact Person:**  
Jenny Pen-Bell, Environmental Planner

**Telephone No.**  
(661) 862-5013

**Date Received for Filing:**

[Signature]  
**Joshua Champlin, PE, Director**

Notice of Environmental Document  
Date 4.17.24 Posted by County Clerk on 04-17-2024  
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April 15, 2024

California Transportation Commission  
1120 N Street, MS 52  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Environmental Phase Considerations for the PS&E Phase Allocation Request  
Project: PPNO 8027 (Norris Road Pedestrian and Railroad Safety Project)**

To Whom it May Concern:

Kern County Public Works is requesting funding allocation for PS&E phase of our Norris Road Pedestrian and Railroad Safety Project (PPNO 8027), which is a state-only, ATP funded project. The project scope of work consists, in general, of the construction of ADA sidewalks, wheelchair ramps, crosswalks and roadway tie-ins to improve safety for the public.

The proposed activity is authorization of the PS&E phase to start work on the design of the project plans and specifications. Design plans will not result in a direct change in the environment and 30% design is needed to confirm the final project layout for review of potential environmental impacts. The final CEQA determination will be made by the Kern County Board of Supervisors to approve the final plans and specifications when construction funding becomes available in FY 25/26, where a categorical exemption is anticipated.

Kern County is the CEQA Lead Agency. Per our review of the CEQA Guidelines, Article 18, Statutory Exemptions, Section 15268 - Ministerial actions are not subject to CEQA and Public Resources Code Section 21065 defines a "Project" as an activity that may cause a direct physical change in the environment. However, the Environmental Clearance Requirements section of the PDF Smart Form does not provide exemption options for this PS&E allocation request.

The design of this project will not alter or change the present use of the land. Therefore, it is determined that this project will not have a significant effect on the environment and has been found to be Exempt per Article 18, Section 15268 of the CEQA Guidelines.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Yolanda Alcantar", written over a horizontal line.

Yolanda Alcantar, Public Works Manager  
Environmental Division  
CEQA Designee

4/10/24

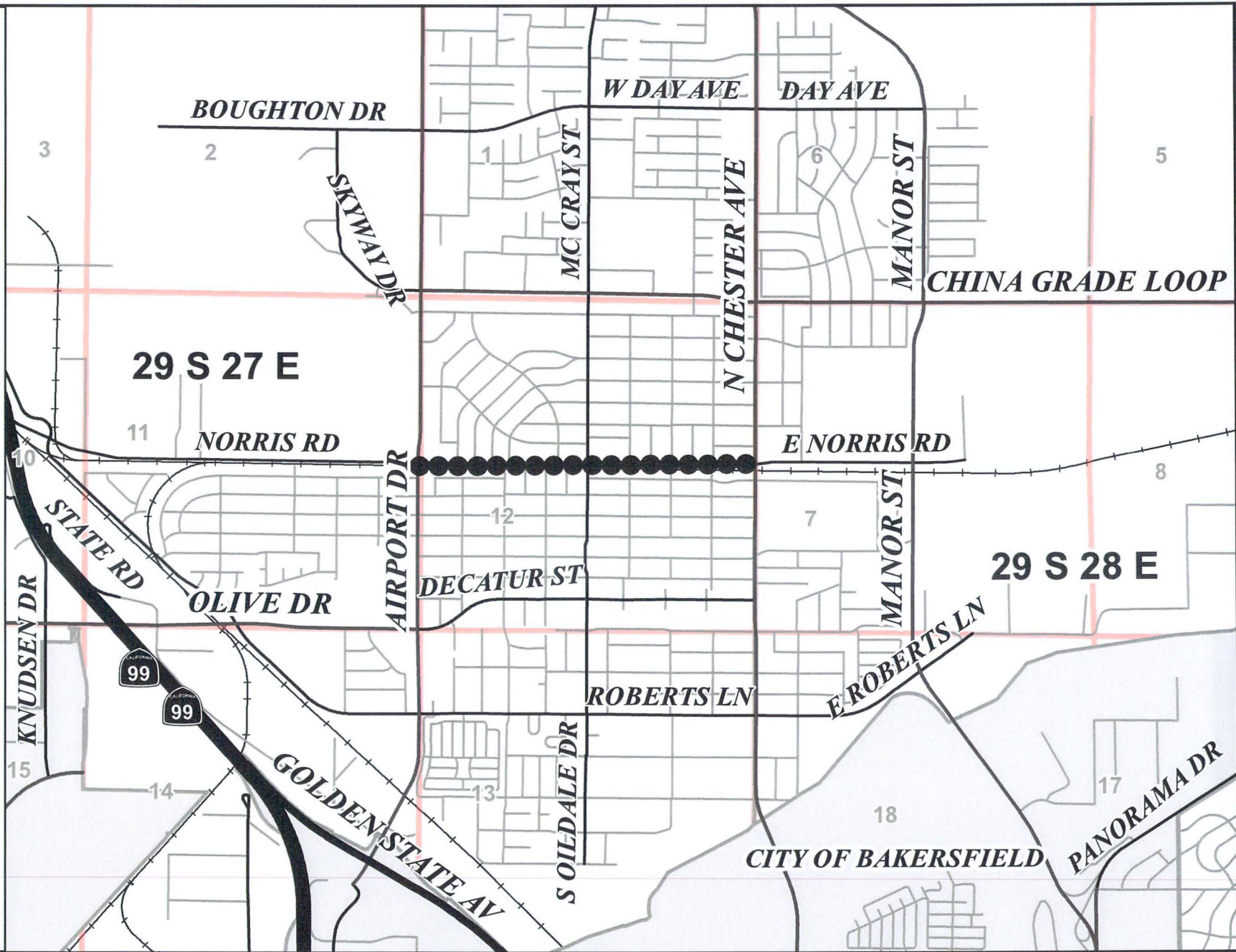
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 Project Location



COUNTY OF KERN

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

*LOCATION MAP*

*Norris Rd (Airport Dr - N Chester Ave)  
Complete Streets*



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2024 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
**CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/24) Previously DFG 753.5a

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LEAD AGENCY KERN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 4/17/2024
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING Kern	DOCUMENT NUMBER 24830	

PROJECT TITLE  
**PPNO 8027 NORRIS ROAD PEDESTRIAN AND RAILROAD SAFETY PROJECT**

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME KERN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (661) 862-5100
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 2700 M STREET, SUITE 400	CITY BAKERSFIELD	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 93301

**PROJECT APPLICANT** (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency     School District     Other Special District     State Agency     Private Entity

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,051.25	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,916.75	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,377.25	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee		\$	50.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	

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