

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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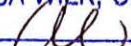
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**Project Title:** Embarcadero West Rail Safety and Access Improvements

**Project Applicant:** City of Oakland, Alameda County

MELISSA WILK, County Clerk  
By  Deputy

**Project Location:** Embarcadero West between Oak Street and Adeline Street/Middle Harbor Road

**Project Description:** Install a pedestrian and bicycle trail connection between Market Street and Webster Street; upgrading eight at-grade railroad crossings to meet current safety and design standards, including new rail road and pedestrian crossing arms and equipment, directional signage, pavement delineation, and intersection lighting; installing fencing along the railroad tracks between intersections; and improvements to the connection between Adeline Street/Middle Harbor Road and Market Street to provide a secondary emergency access route, accommodate overweight vehicles, and provide a redundant crossing over the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) tracks if the Adeline Street bridge is retrofitted, rehabilitated, or removed under a future separate project. The project is proposed to improve safety and sustainable access and mobility through the corridor.

**Exempt Status:** (check All that apply)

**Statutory Exemptions**  
{PRC § 21080}

**Categorical Exemptions**  
{CCR § 15300}

Pedestrian and Bicycle, Cost \$100M+ {Sec. 21080.25}

Existing Facilities {Sec.15301}  
Replacement or Reconstruction {Sec.15302}

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

The project is exempt from environmental review per CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301, which applies to existing facilities, and 15302, which applies to replacement or reconstruction. The project is also exempt from environmental review per CEQA Statute Section 21080.25(b)(1) and (2), which apply to pedestrian and bicycle facilities that improve safety, access or mobility, and projects that improved wayfinding, respectively. None of the exceptions to a Categorical Exemption pursuant to Section 15300.2 apply to the project, and the project has also met the requirements for Statutorily Exempt projects over \$100,000,000 enumerated in CEQA Statute Section 21080.25(d)(1). Therefore, the project may be found to be exempt from environmental review under CEQA. Each of the above exemptions provides a separate and independent basis for CEQA compliance.

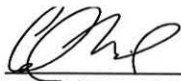
**Lead Agency:** City of Oakland, Department of Transportation, 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 4314, Oakland, CA 94612.

**Lead Agency Contact:** Edmond Siu, Supervising Civil Engineer

**Phone:** (510) 238-3172

4/18/2024

Date:

  
EDWARD MANASSE  
Deputy Director  
Planning and Building Department  
Environmental Review Officer

Pursuant to Section 711.4(d)(1) of the California Fish and Game Code, statutory and categorical exemptions are also exempt from Department of Fish & Game fees.