

## Notice of Exemption

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Butte County Clerk Recorder  
155 Nelson Ave  
Oroville, CA 95965

From: Butte County Sheriff's Office  
5 Gillick Way  
Oroville, CA 95965  
Sheriff Kory Honea  
(530) 538-7321

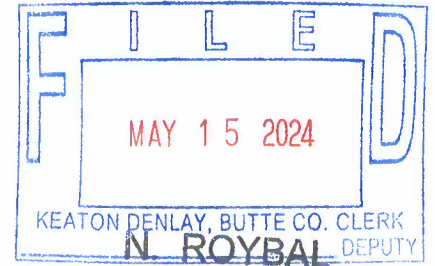
**Project Title:** Flock Safety Automated License Plate Reading (ALPR) Camera Installation Project

**Project Number:** N/A

**APN#:** Various Caltrans Rights-of-Way

**Project Location:**

#01 Hwy 32 @ River Rd EB – (39.753197646130765,-121.96728820122667)  
#02 Hwy 32 @ River Rd WB – (39.75336725354586,-121.96855621553846)  
#05 Hwy 70 @ James W P Rd SB - (39.65297605238365,-121.55220406150956)  
#06 Hwy 70 @ James W P Rd NB – (39.65358591155453,-121.55002167627808)  
#11 Hwy 70 @ Lower Honcut Rd NB – (39.32115849836455,-121.59603335931597)  
#12 Hwy 70 @ Lower Honcut Rd SB – (39.32078425906683,-121.59626849953047)



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

The Sheriff's Office intends to implement the use of twelve (12) roadside Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs) throughout Butte County, six (6) of which are to be installed along Caltrans rights-of-way, in order to link data associated with vehicle license plates for official law enforcement purposes. This includes identifying and locating stolen or wanted vehicles, wanted persons, victims, witnesses, and missing persons. ALPRs may also be used to gather information related to criminal investigations, active warrants, suspect interdiction, and stolen property recovery. It is the intent of the Sheriff's Office to ensure that the access and use of ALPR data is consistent with respect for individuals' privacy and civil liberties. Accordingly, an ALPRs Usage and Privacy Policy is available for viewing on the website for the Sheriff's Office.

The proposed project consists of installation of six 13-foot poles on X SQRD REDITORQUE anchor bases with a camera and solar panel mounted to the poles, with minimal ground disturbance consisting of the 3 inch by 48 inch pole anchors.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Butte County Sheriff's Office

**Entitlement/Action Date**

Flock Contract with Butte County Sheriff's Office / May 14, 2024

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Butte County Sheriff's Office

**Exempt Status:** Categorically exempt.

**Categorical Exemptions:** CEQA Guidelines sections 15061(b)(3) and 15303(e).

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Pursuant to section 15061(b)(3), the Common Sense Exemption, this project is exempt from further CEQA review. The activity of installing six 13-foot poles, with a camera and solar panel affixed to them, in existing state right-of-way on an existing public highway, is covered by the common sense

exemption 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 further CEQA review. As such, this project falls within the definition of section 15061(b)(3) and no further CEQA review is therefore required.

In addition, pursuant to section 15303(e), New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, this project is also exempt from further CEQA review. Section 15303(e) specifically refers to new construction of small structures including accessory (appurtenant) structures, including garages, carports, patios, swimming pools, and fences. The footprint of the pole, camera, and solar panel on an existing public highway is extremely minimal compared with other types of improvements listed in section 15303(e). As such, this project can be considered a new, small facility under section 15303 and no further CEQA review is therefore required.

**Lead Agency Contact Person**

Sheriff Kory Honea, Butte County Sheriff's Office, (530) 538-7321

Signature  Date 5/15/2024  
Butte County Sheriff's Office



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

RECEIPT NUMBER:  
 04-05152024-040  
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

**SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.**

LEAD AGENCY BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 05/15/2024
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING BUTTE	DOCUMENT NUMBER 132	

PROJECT TITLE  
 FLOCK SAFETY AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READING (ALPR) CAMERA INSTALLATION PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (530) 538-7321
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 1 GILLICK WAY	CITY OROVILLE	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 95965

**PROJECT APPLICANT** (Check appropriate box)

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

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$4,051.25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$2,916.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$1,377.25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Exempt from fee  
      Notice of Exemption (attach)  
      CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)  
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

- Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$850.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 County documentary handling fee \$50.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00  
 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

- Cash     Credit     Check     Other   
 TOTAL RECEIVED \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00

SIGNATURE x <i>N. Roybal</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Nancy Roybal, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder
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