



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

Project Information

Project Name (if applicable): SR 155 Culvert Maintenance

DIST-CO-RTE: 06-KER-155

PM/PM: R17.8/R39.6

EA: 06-1H060

Federal-Aid Project Number: N/A

Project Description

The California Department of Transportation proposes to replace, repair, and reline 9 culverts in Kern County on Route 155 from PM R17.8 to R39.6. Proposed work includes replacing culverts, repairing inlet with concrete collar, cure in place liner, adding flared end sections, and adding rock slope protection. Work off the paved roadway and in channel is proposed. Ground disturbance and drainage work is proposed. Vegetation removal is proposed. All work for this project will be performed within existing right of way.

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 1.** (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

Pedram Mafi

05/17/2024

Print Name

Signature

Date

Project Manager

Rene Sanchez

05/20/2024

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Signature

Date



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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): N/A

Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: 5/16/2024

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:

#	System Number *	Inlet End Treatment Number	Outlet End Treatment Number *	Postmile	Culvert Diameter (ft)	Calculated Culvert Length (ft)	Notes
1	501554101781	501554101781002	501554101781001	17.81	2.5	45.27	Replace Both Barrels w/ 36" CSP, FES/RSP. Add slope protection.
2	501554101925	501554101925002	501554101925001	19.25	1.5	58.53	Cut Back Ends, Add FES/RSP Inlet/Outlet.
3	501550003404	501550003404002	501550003404001	34.04	1.5	52.75	CIPP Liner. RSP at inlet.
4	501554003718	501554003718002	501554003718001	37.18	1.5	33.36	Replace 6' outlet section. CIPP Liner. Add RSP to inlet.
5	501554003816	501554003816002	501554003816001	38.16	1.5	41.70	Repair 4' inlet section with concrete collar. CIPP Liner. Add FES & RSP to inlet.
6	501554003839	501554003839002	501554003839001	38.39	1	47.87	Replace w/ 18" RCP/FES/RSP, Change to Skew.
7	501554003942	501554003942002	501554003942001	39.42	1	39.25	Replace Culvert, Upsize to 24" w/ FES/RSP
8	501554003944	501554003944002	501554003944001	39.44	1	44.50	Replace Culvert, Upsize to 18" CSP
9	501554003961	501554003961002	501554003961001	39.61	3	56.19	Add FES and RSP to both inlet/outlet

Environmental Commitments:

Biological: Species Protection SSP 14-6.03A: San Joaquin kit fox

Hazardous Waste: SSP 7-1.02K(6)(j)(iii) Earth Material Containing Lead