

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
County Clerk
County of: MER

From: (Public Agency) Caltrans, Dist. 10
1976 E. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.,
Stockton CA 95205

Project Title: DO Culvert and Slope Repair

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:
State Route 99 from postmile 11.51 to 11.86 in Merced County

Project Location - City: Merced Project Location - County: MER

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to repair and replace eleven (11) culverts and restore slope and shoulder on State Route 99 from postmile 11.51 to 11.86 in Merced County. The purpose of the project is to address shoulder sinkhole, washed out end sections and fire damaged culverts that could lead to travel lane failure. The need of this project is to prevent and mitigate the loss or impairment of life, property, or essential public services.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation

Exempt Status (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: _____
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reason why project is exempt:

Specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Divine Yang Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209-670-9159

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? YES NO

Signature: Divine Yang Date: 6/3/2024 Title: Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist)

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR _____