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- Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- Filing Fee (new project)
  - Previously Paid F&W (**must attach F&W receipt and project titles must match**)
  - No Effect Determination (**F&W letter must be attached**)
- Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
- Filing Fee (new project)
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- Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- Other (Please fill in type):

1. LEAD AGENCY: California Department of Transportation (District 4)
2. LEAD AGENCY EMAIL: juliane.smith@dot.ca.gov
3. PROJECT TITLE: I-280 Soundwalls Project
4. APPLICANT NAME: Patty Boonlue PHONE: 408-321-5821
5. APPLICANT EMAIL: patty.boonlue@vta.org
6. APPLICANT ADDRESS: 3331 N 1st Street Building B-2, San Jose, CA 95134
7. PROJECT APPLICANT IS A:  Local Public Agency  School District  Other Special District  State Agency  Private Entity
8. NOTICE TO BE POSTED FOR 30 DAYS.

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# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

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

County Clerk

County of: Santa Clara

110 West Tasman Drive, First Floor

San Jose, CA 95134

**From:** (Public Agency): VTA  
3331 N 1st Street, Building B-2  
San Jose, CA 95134 ATTN: Patty Boonlue

(Address)

Project Title: I-280 Soundwalls Project

Project Applicant: Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA)

Project Location - Specific:

Four soundwalls along I-280 between post mile (PM) R2.5 and R3.2

Project Location - City: San Jose Project Location - County: Santa Clara

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation, District 4 (DOT)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA)

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: 15301 Existing Facilities (Class 1)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Brian Gassner Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (510) 506-0372

**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: *Brian Gassner* Date: 06/04/2024 Title: Environmental Branch Chief

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.

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# NOE-44840 280 Soundwalls

Final Audit Report

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