

**Notice of Exemption**

**Appendix E**

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:** (Public Agency) CALTRANS  
1750 E. 4th Street  
Santa Ana, CA, 92705

(Address)

County Clerk  
County of: ORANGE  
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Project Title: SR-55 at Newport Blvd. Wrong Way Driver Signage

Project Applicant: CALTRANS - D12

Project Location—Specific:  
SB SR-55 at Newport Blvd offramp near Fairview Road, in the City of Costa Mesa, CA.

Project Location—City: Costa Mesa Project Location—County: ORANGE

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:  
Installation of “Wrong Way” delineation, upgraded striping and marker installations, added pavement markings, Two “DO NOT ENTER” sign packages on a wood posts at the Newport Ave offramp termini. Project is to deter/prevent wrong way drivers on the State highway.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CALTRANS

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: CALTRANS

- 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: 15301.1(d)
  - Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:  
This is the repair/restoration of an existing facility to meet the standards for public safety, as outlined in 15301.1 (d). There are no significant environmental impacts

Lead Agency Area Code/Telephone/  
Contact Person: Smita Deshpande Extension: 949-279-8704

- 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: Smita Digitally signed by Smita  
Date: 2024.08.01 10:21:03 -0700 Date: 7-25-2024 Title: Senior Environmental Scientist

Signed by:  
 Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.