

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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

From: (Public Agency) Caltrans, Dist. 05
50 Higuera Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401-5415

Project Title: St. Francis Revetment Emergency Replacement

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:
In Monterey County on SR 1 in Big Sur at PM 47.8

Project Location - City: Community of Big Sur Project Location - County: MON

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

In Monterey County on SR 1 in Big Sur at PM 47.8, a log jam that accumulated during previous heavy rainstorms altered the course of the Big Sur River and directed heavy flow of the river towards the stacked concrete block wall causing loss of material in the front of the revetment and subsequent failure of the revetment. Initiation of an emergency project is recommended to address failure of the revetment and an adjoining timber crib wall to protect the SR 1 embankment. Caltrans proposes to reconstruct a rock slope protection (RSP) revetment to alleviate the immediate emergency and potential highway loss of SR 1. Damage to SR 1, at this location, would cut off vital access for residents and emergency vehicles in this area. The damage to both public and private property will result in loss of property, isolation of property tenants, and economic downturn for the community.

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:

Caltrans proposes to reconstruct the failing concrete block wall by constructing a rock slope protection (RSP) revetment to alleviate the immediate emergency and potential highway loss of Highway 1. Damage to Highway 1, at this location, would cut off vital access for residents and emergency vehicles in this area. The damage to both public and private property will result in loss of property, isolation of property tenants, and economic downturn for the community.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Sunny McBride Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 805-440-9575

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: Sunny McBride Date: 7/18/2024 Title: Environmental Stewardship 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.

Date Received for filing at OPR _____