

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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

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

Project Title: Culvert Replacement

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:
In Merced County on State Route 152 and I-5

Project Location - City: Los Banos Project Location - County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes culvert replacement at seven (7) locations on State Route 152 and I-5 in Merced County. General scope of work is listed in the Continuation Sheet. All work will be within Caltrans Right of Way. The purpose of the project is to address the deteriorated drainage system and to extend the service life of State Route 152 and I-5. The project is needed to prevent potential failure of the overlying highway due to the culvert deterioration.

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: Existing Facilities section 15301
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reason why project is exempt:

The project will not affect any sensitive species or their habitats, cultural resources, scenic resources, or any other environmentally sensitive resources.

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: 9/16/24 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 _____