

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of Contra Costa

From: Caltrans District 4 Office of Maintenance Environmental
111 Grand Ave
Oakland, CA 94612

Project Title: I-680 and SR-4 Overhead Sign Panels Upgrade Project (EA 1X460)

Project Applicant: Caltrans

Project Location - Specific: The project is located in the Cities of Pleasant Hill and Pittsburg, Contra Costa County, on Northbound I-680 from post mile R16.87 to R21.02 and SR-4 from R20.79.

Project Location - City: Pleasant Hill, Pittsburg Project Location - County: Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Caltrans proposes to replace and upgrade nine overhead sign panels on I-680 and SR-4 to Type XI retroreflective sheeting. Construction equipment will include heavy duty trucks, trailers, and power tools. The project will remain within Caltrans right of way either on or adjacent to the paved roadway. Equipment would be staged within Caltrans right of way in areas absent of vegetation. Full or partial lane and shoulder closures may be required during construction. The project will be constructed during winter 2025.

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: PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15301 et seq. Class 1(d)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Existing Facilities Class 1(d). Due to the nature of the project, its location, and timing, no environmental impacts are anticipated.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Juliane Smith

Phone number: (510) 926-0426

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: Juliane Smith Date: 11/7/24

Title: Senior Environmental Scientist (NEPA/CEQA Specialist)

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.