

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:**  Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** City of Redding  
Public Works Department  
777 Cypress Avenue  
Redding, CA 96001

Shasta County Clerk  
County of Shasta  
P.O. Box 990880, 1643 Market Street  
Redding, CA 96099-0880

**Project Title:** Systematic Intersection Safety Lighting Project

**Project Location – Specific:** Various intersections along Lake Boulevard, Shasta View Drive, Rancho Road, Mountain Lakes Boulevard, Buenaventura Boulevard, Hilltop Drive, and Churn Creek Road.

**Project Location – City:** Redding

**Project Location – County:** Shasta

**Description of Project:** The City of Redding will implement a lighting improvement project at 18 intersections in Redding. The project will install approximately 37 new street lights, 3 decorative street lights, and retrofit 2 existing street lights. Conduit, conductors, pull boxes, and associated electrical equipment will also be installed. Work will involve minor vegetation removal, trenching, excavation, concrete installation, paving, and striping. All work will be conducted within City right of way, and the public will be notified of the construction activity.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Redding

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Trevor Brooks, Project Engineer

**Exempt Status:** *(check one)*

- Ministerial [Section 21080(b)(1); 15268]
  - Declared Emergency [Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)]
  - Emergency Project [Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)]
  - Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Section 15262, Feasibility and Planning Studies
  - Common Sense Exemption (This project does not fall within an exempt class, but it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment (14 CCR 15061[b][3]).
  - Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Sec. 15301. Existing Facilities, 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction, and 15303 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures.
- No exceptions apply that would bar the use of a categorical exemption (PRD 21084 and 14 CCR 15300.2).

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Class 1 exemptions include the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing facilities, structures, or equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use. Class 2 exemptions consists of replacement or reconstruction where the new structure will be located on the same site and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity. Class 3 exemptions consist of construction and location of limited numbers of new small facilities and equipment, or conversion of existing structures. The project involves the installation of limited numbers of new street lights, as well as the reconstruction or conversion of existing facilities and equipment. The project will be constructed within the existing right of way and will result in negligible expansion of use. The project area has been reviewed for sensitive resources such as threatened or endangered species or their habitats, sensitive vegetation communities, tribal lands, or tribal cultural resources. The project has no potential to have a significant effect on the environment.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Amber Kelley

**Telephone:** 530.225.4046

**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:** Amber Kelley

**Date:** 12-21-2023

**Title:** Environmental Compliance Manager

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by Applicant