

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): Lahontan Regional Water Board
15095 Amargosa Road Building 2, Suite 210
Victorville, CA 92394

(Address)

Project Title: 10-1F720 Alpine County Culvert Replacement Project

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:

The Project is in various locations in Alpine County.

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: Alpine

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this Project is to replace 31 existing culverts on State Routes 4, 88, and 89 in Alpine County (Enclosure 1). The existing drainage systems at the proposed sites have exceeded design life and have either deteriorated or failed. Twenty culverts will be replaced in-kind and 11 culverts will be upsized. There will also be upgrades to headwalls and end-walls, which include end treatments (flared end sections) and rock slope protection. Permanent impacts to waters will be from the expansion of the culverts. Temporary impacts will result from culvert replacements and equipment/machinery access associated with construction.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board

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: 15301, Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:


The Water Board finds this Project to be categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CCR, title 14, section 15301, Existing Facilities, for the repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of an existing facility with little or no expansion of use. A Notice of Exemption (Enclosure 2) was filed with the State Clearinghouse concurrently with issuing this WQC.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Cristina Sedano Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760-241-6467

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: _____  _____ Date: 1/9/2025 Title: Assistant Executive Officer

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: _____