

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Department of Transportation - District 11
4050 Taylor St.,
San Diego, CA 92110

Project Title: Traffic Signal Life Cycle Reset

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation - District 11

Project Location - Specific: Four locations: on 11 – SD – SR-76 (PM R6.77), 78 (PM 18.93 and 19.87), and 94 (PM 19.78).

Project Location - City: Oceanside (SR-76 location), Escondido (SR-78 locations), and El Cajon (SR-94 location).

Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Caltrans is proposing a life cycle reset of four (4) traffic signal systems with one on SR-76 at PM R6.77, two on SR-78 at PM 7.95/18.938 and 19.87, and one on SR-94 at PM 19.78. This project includes replacing the cables, controller cabinet, video detection camera, and accessible pedestrian signal heads at all four locations. The traffic signal controller cabinets' concrete foundation and pad will be modified with minimal soil disturbance. Additionally, an intersection camera with performance measure will be installed at the sites. The traffic signal system is deemed necessary to be replaced to reset its life cycle to comply with SB-1 mandate as the current components are failure prone and at its end-of-life.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation - District 11

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation - District 11

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: Class 1(c) (15301. EXISTING FACILITIES)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 1 - Operation, repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of existing public structures involving negligible or no expansion of existing use.

(c) - Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety), and other alterations such as the addition of bicycle facilities, including but not limited to bicycle parking, bicycle-share facilities and bicycle lanes, transit improvements such as bus lanes, pedestrian crossings, street trees, and other similar alterations that do not create additional automobile lanes).

Lead Agency Contact Person: Danika Zikas

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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



Recoverable Signature

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Signature: Signed by: 52f874ad-42cd-4974-9de3-5f318ecb5c20 **Date:** 01/21/2025 **Title:** Environmental Scientist

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 01/22/2025

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

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