

## Notice of Exemption

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**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

**From:** California Department of Transportation  
703 B Street  
Marysville, CA 95901

Project Title: BUT 99 Pioneer Sinkhole

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation – District 3

Project Location - Specific: Butte County on State Route 99 near post mile 5.62.

Project Location - City: Gridley                      Project Location - County: Butte

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes site preparation, dewatering, sawcut, excavation, shoring, remove and replace three 18-inch corrugated metal pipes, structure concrete, backfill, minor HMA, regrade ditch, traffic control, and incidental work on State Route 99 in Butte County.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans – District 3

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans – District 3

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(d), Section 15301 Existing Facilities.
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

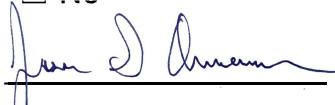
This project is exempt under Class 1(d), Section 15301 Existing Facilities as the project proposes to restore a segment of existing roadbed of State Route 99 in Butte County. Additionally, the project does not propose to expand the use of the existing facility.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Jason Ammerman                      Phone number: (530) 649-6959

**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: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: Environmental Scientist

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.