

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Department of Transportation, District 6
1352 West Olive Avenue
Fresno, CA 93728

Project Title: Caltrans D6 Encroachment Permit #0624-6UC-0955

Project Applicant: Pacific Gas and Electric Company

Project Location - Specific: In Fresno County on State Route 63 between postmiles 1.29 and 1.32

Project Location - City: Orange Cove Project Location - County: Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

PG&E proposes to enter upon the Caltrans Right of Way (ROW) to perform maintenance work on utility poles on State Route 63 between postmiles 1.293 and 1.32 in Fresno County north of Orange Cove. The project would replace one existing 45-foot distribution utility pole with a new 55-foot pole; replace one existing regulator with a new regulator; install a new 55-foot distribution pole; and install a new regulator platform and three regulators approximately 12 feet from the edge of traveled way (ETW). Aerial wires will be temporarily suspended along S Hills Valley Rd (Route 63), postmile 1.29. Caltrans will issue an encroachment permit (06-24-6-UC-0955) for the utility pole replacement work within State right-of-way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation, District 6

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Pacific Gas and Electric Company

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, 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Caltrans has determined the project to be categorically exempt in accordance with Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) Class 1 - Operation, repair maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structure, facilities,


mechanical support, or topographic features involving negligible or no expansion or existing or former use.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Pedram Mafi

Phone number: (559) 981-7400

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: 2/12/2025 Title: Senior Environmental Scientist (Supervisor)

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.