



**CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION  
DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 06/2022)**

**Project Information**

**Project Name (if applicable):** June Lake Slip Out

**DIST-CO-RTE:** 09-MNO-158

**PM/PM:** 2.0

**EA:** 09-40290

**Federal-Aid Project Number:** N/A

**Project Description**

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has conducted emergency highway repairs located along State Route (SR) 158 in Mono County just North of June Lake, California at Post Mile (PM) 2.0.

To repair the highway, the existing asphalt encompassing ½ of the northbound lane at PM 2.0 was saw cut and removed for about 150 linear feet. The roadway prism was excavated to approximately 3-5 feet and the structural section was rebuilt with alternating layers of road base and geo-synthetic reinforcement fabric. A temporary concrete roadway surface was placed over the stabilized embankment. 1-ton of rock slope protection (RSP) was placed to support the area where the shoulder had failed. To further support the shoulder and the outside of the embankment, a rail pile wall was installed at the northbound hinge point, beyond the edge of pavement (EOP). A water line and sewer line owned by the June Lake Public Utilities District was reconstructed and relocated under the pavement. The contract will be suspended over winter until there is hot mix asphalt (HMA) available at which time the contractor will remove the temporary concrete surface and place HMA surfacing.

Caltrans has determined that the project will have negligible impacts on environmental resources, with no anticipated adverse environmental effects.

**Caltrans CEQA Determination** (Check one)

- Not Applicable** – Caltrans is not the CEQA Lead Agency
- Not Applicable** – Caltrans has prepared an IS or EIR under CEQA

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the project is:

- Exempt by Statute.** (PRC 21080[b]; 14 CCR 15269 et seq.)
- Categorically Exempt. 15300** (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)
  - No exceptions apply that would bar the use of a categorical exemption (PRC 21084 and 14 CCR 15300.2). See the [SER Chapter 34](#) for exceptions.
- Covered by the 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].)

**Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief**

Stephen Pfeiler

Print Name

Signature

Date



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**Project Manager**

Justin Castleberry

Print Name

Signature

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Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

[X] Not Applicable

Caltrans has determined that this project has no significant impacts on the environment as defined by NEPA, and that there are no unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b). See SER Chapter 30 for unusual circumstances. As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under NEPA and is included under the following:

[ ] 23 USC 326: Caltrans has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to 23 USC 326 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated April 18, 2022, executed between FHWA and Caltrans. Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:

[X] 23 CFR 771.117(c): activity

[ ] 23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)(Enter activity number)

[ ] Activity Enter activity number listed in Appendix A of the MOU between FHWA and Caltrans

[ ] 23 USC 327: Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under 23 USC 327. The environmental review, consultation, and any other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by Caltrans pursuant to 23 USC 327 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated May 27, 2022, and executed by FHWA and Caltrans.

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Print Name Signature Date

Project Manager/ DLA Engineer

Print Name Signature Date

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion (if applicable): 2/14/24

Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: 2/14/24



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