

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of ORANGE

From: Caltrans District 12
1750 E. Fourth St. Suite 100
Santa Ana, CA 92705

Project Title: SAFETY MINOR B 0V330

Project Applicant: Caltrans

Project Location - Specific: State Route 73 Postmiles 22.215

Project Location - City: Irvine

Project Location - County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The proposed Caltrans Safety Minor B project consists of upgrades to existing pavement striping, installation of Wrong Way signs on both sides of the off-ramp plus delineations and red-backed retro-reflective pavement markers on ramp limit lines at exit ramp, installation of signs and removal of shrubs on Northbound (NB) State Route 73 (SR-73) off ramp to Bonita Canyon Drive in the city of Irvine, County of Orange. Work activities include removal of existing signs and installation of new signals, removal of existing crosswalk markings and installation of new ladder cross walk markings, and installation of stripe pavement chevron markings at the gore area, and removal of bushes along left shoulder approximately 450 feet from off-ramp gore area. The purpose of the project is to reduce the number of wrong way entries into the NB Off-ramp to Bonita Canyon Drive by enhancing the existing signing and striping in the area of the NB off ramp. All work will occur in Caltrans ROW. The public benefits.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans

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: 15300 Class 1(c)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
Project is exempt under CEQA 15300 Class 1(d)

Lead Agency Contact Person: Bahar Heydari

Phone number: 949-358-4691

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: Smita Deshpande

Date: 2/25/25

Title: Senior 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.