

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 # 06-25-6-UC-0212

Project Applicant: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E)

Project Location - Specific: On State Route 145 at Postmile 1.39

Project Location - City: Westside

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. The project would replace one existing 60-foot transmission utility pole with a new 70-foot transmission utility pole approximately 15 feet from the edge of traveled way (ETW). This project triggers the DSDD because the fixed object being replaced is within Caltrans ROW and within the Clear Recovery Zone of 52-feet from the ETW. Aerial wires will be temporarily suspended along Fresno Coalinga Rd (Route 145) at Post Mile (PM) 1.39. This project supports the community wildfire safety program. During the course of performing the work, the aerial wires spanning along Route 145 will be detached and reattached. The anticipated excavation depth is 60 inches, the width is 18 inches, and the length is 1.5 feet. Traffic control will be provided while performing the work. Caltrans would issue an encroachment permit to allow for the proposed work to occur 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 (PG&E)

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: Section 15301 Class 1
- 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

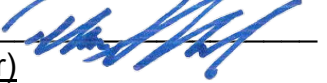
Phone number: (559) 981-7400

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: 03/12/2025 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.