

## 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, District 6  
1352 West Olive Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93728

Project Title: Caltrans D6 Encroachment Permit # 06-25-6-UC-0181

Project Applicant: Southern California Edison (SCE)

Project Location - Specific: On State Route 65 at Postmile 38.899

Project Location - City: Exeter

Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Southern California Edison (SCE) proposes to replace the existing 40-foot Class 5 wood pole #732190E with a new 35-foot Class 5 wood pole at postmile (PM) 38.899 of southbound (SB) State Route 65 (SR-65), in the city of Exeter. Pole is located roughly 105 feet off the fog line. Crew will be parking trucks on the shoulder to complete the work. anticipated excavation depth is 78 inches, and the average width is 24 inches. 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: Southern California Edison (SCE)

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.

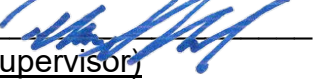
Lead Agency Contact Person: Pedram Mafi

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: 3/28/2025      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.