

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Caltrans District 11
4050 Taylor Street, MS 242
San Diego, CA 92110

Project Title - Install Slope Paving at SB I-5 to EB SR-94 Connector Viaduct

Project Applicant - Caltrans

Project Location - Specific: Bridge # 57-0422F at southbound I-5 to eastbound SR-94 connector viaduct

Project Location - City: San Diego

Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Caltrans proposes to repair the abutment slope under Bridge # 57-0422F at the southbound I-5 to eastbound SR-94 connector viaduct, which was damaged by persons experiencing homelessness (PEH). The repairs need to be completed to ensure safety to the motoring public, as any continued digging by PEH will degrade the bridge structures integrity and ultimately, lead to failure. Other project activities include construction area signs, traffic control system, and installing slope paving.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans, District 11

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans, District 11

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: 15302
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: 15269

Reasons why project is exempt:

Project consists of emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety or welfare. Emergency repairs include those that require a reasonable amount of planning to address an anticipated emergency. Specifically, Caltrans needs to repair an abutment slope under an existing bridge to ensure safety to the motoring public. The repairs need to be completed to ensure safety to the motoring public, as any continued digging by PEH will degrade the bridge structures integrity and ultimately, lead to failure.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Emery McCaffery

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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: *Emery McCaffery* Date: 5/2/2025 Title: Associate Environmental Planner

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 5/2/2025

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.