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## Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: \_\_\_\_\_

From: (Public Agency): Caltrans District 3

703 B Street

Marysville, CA 95966

(Address)

Project Title: Glenn 162 CIR

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:

The proposed project is located on State Route 162 at post miles 54.00/65.5 in Glenn County west of Willows

Project Location - City: West of Willows

Project Location - County: Glenn

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the project is to improve the roadside elements, corrects existing pavement damage, improves ride quality, and extends the pavement service life.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation

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: 1☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project is exempt because it does have the potential to have an adverse effect on the environment, and it also falls into one of the exemption categories.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Mike Bartlett

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-635-3430

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: 4/9/19 Title: Senior Env Planner

☐ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by ApplicantAuthority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Governor's Office of Planning &amp; Research

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## CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM

03-GLEN-162	54.0-65.5	03-1G670	0319000117
Dist.-Co.-Rte. (or Local Agency)	P.M./P.M.	E.A/Project No.	Federal-Aid Project No. (Local Project)/Project No.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** (Briefly describe project including need, purpose, location, limits, right-of-way requirements, and activities involved in this box. Use Continuation Sheet, if necessary.)

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), District 3, is proposing to Cold Plane 0.2' and place 0.2' of Rubberized Hot Mix Asphalt-Gap Graded, and replace striping on State Route 162 between PM 54.0 and 65.5 in Glenn County west of the city of Willows.

The purpose of the project is to improve the road, correct existing pavement damage, improve ride quality, and extend the pavement service life. There will be no improvements to the existing drainage profile and patterns. The project does not involve any ground disturbance, and all the work will be performed within the existing right-of-way. The project will not require equipment staging areas.

**CALTRANS CEQA DETERMINATION** (Check one)

☐ Not Applicable – Caltrans is not the CEQA Lead Agency ☐ Not Applicable – Caltrans has prepared an Initial Study or Environmental Impact Report under CEQA

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

☐ Exempt by Statute. (PRC 21080[b]; 14 CCR 15260 et seq.)  
☒ **Categorically Exempt Class 1.** (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the following statements are true and exceptions do not apply:

- If this project falls within exempt class 3, 4, 5, 6 or 11, it does not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and officially adopted pursuant to law.
- There will not be a significant cumulative effect by this project and successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time.
- There is not a reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.
- This project does not damage a scenic resource within an officially designated state scenic highway.
- This project is not located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Govt. Code § 65962.5 ("Cortese List").
- This project does not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

☐ **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].)]

**Mike Bartlett**

Print Name: Senior Environmental Planner or  
Environmental Branch Chief

Signature

Date

**Jennifer Key**

Print Name: Project Manager

Signature

Date

**NEPA COMPLIANCE**

In accordance with 23 CFR 771.117, and based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the State has determined that this project:

- does not individually or cumulatively have a significant impact on the environment as defined by NEPA, and is excluded from the requirements to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and
- has considered unusual circumstances pursuant to 23 CFR 771.117(b).

**CALTRANS NEPA DETERMINATION** (Check one)

☒ **23 USC 326:** The State 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). As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act. The State has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title 23, United States Code, Section 326 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 31, 2016, executed between the FHWA and the State. The State has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:

☒ **23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)( )**

☐ **23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)( )**

☐ **Activity \_\_\_\_\_ listed in Appendix A of the MOU between FHWA and the State**

☐ **23 USC 327:** Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the State 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 December 23, 2016 and executed by FHWA and Caltrans.

**Mike Bartlett**

Print Name: Senior Environmental Planner or  
Environmental Branch Chief

Signature

Date

**Jennifer Key**

Print Name: Project Manager/DLA Engineer

Signature

Date

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion:

Date of ECR or equivalent : 4/3/19

Briefly list environmental commitments on continuation sheet. Reference additional information, as appropriate (e.g., CE checklist, additional studies and design conditions).

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## Continuation Sheet

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**Environmental Commitments:**

The project will not pose significant environmental impacts based on studies conducted. As a result, the project is exempt from the requirement to prepare environmental document and qualifies for Categorical Exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and Categorical Exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The environmental commitments contained with the studies must be incorporated in the project.

**Hazardous Materials:**

An Initial Site Assessment was conducted and identified the following, which will be incorporated into the PS&E.

- Standard Special Provision 36-4, Residue Containing High Lead Concentration Paints
- Standard Special Provision Lead Compliance Plan 7-1.02K (6)(j)(ii), Lead Compliance Plan

**Air:** The proposed project may result in short-term construction-related air emissions, including fugitive dust and exhaust emissions from construction equipment. Fugitive dust, sometimes referred to as windblown dust or PM<sub>10</sub>, would be the primary short-term construction impact, which may be generated during excavation, grading and hauling activities. However, both fugitive dust and construction equipment exhaust emissions would be temporary and transitory. The Caltrans Standard Specifications should effectively reduce and control emission impacts during construction. The provision below will be implemented with all pertinent rules, regulations, ordinances, and statutes of the local air district.

- Section 14-9.02 Air Pollution Control

**Noise:** Noise may be generated from the contractors' equipment and vehicles. The noise generated during construction could be contained by implementing Standard Specifications which are required for construction.

- Section 14-8.02, Noise Control specified as follows: *"Do not exceed 86 dBA LMax at 50 feet from the job site activities from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m."*
- Control and monitor noise resulting from work activities.