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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): Caltrans, District 11

4050 Taylor Street, MS:242

San Diego, CA. 92110

(Address)

Project Title: SR 52 Genesee Avenue Offramp Asphalt Concrete Replacement Project (EA 3A256)Project Applicant: Caltrans, District 11

Project Location - Specific:

The project site is located on the westbound State Route 52 Genesee Avenue offramp in San Diego, California.

The post miles for construction is R2.21/2.66.

Project Location - City: San DiegoProject Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Caltrans proposes to cold plane 0.20-feet and replace with 0.20-feet of rubberized hot mix asphalt-gap graded (RHMA-G) on the westbound State Route 52 Genesee Avenue offramp. There is severe asphalt concrete cracking and this project will extend the life of the pavement.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans, District 11Name 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: 15301(c)
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Repair and maintenance of existing highways and streets, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety).

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Shay Lynn M. HarrisonArea Code/Telephone/Extension: 619-688-0190

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 ☐ NoSignature: Nebby BoylesDate: 4/15/2019Title: Chief, Env. Analysis (C)ASSOC ENV PLANNER☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☒ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM

11-SD-52 R2.21/2.66 3A256/1119000147
 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.)

Cold plane 0.20-feet and replace with 0.20-feet of rubberized hot mix asphalt-gap graded (RHMA-G) on the westbound State Route 52 Genesee Avenue offramp. The existing asphalt concrete (AC) has severe cracking and degradation, and this proposed project will extend the life of the pavement. The contractor should be able to confine all work and equipment storage to paved areas within Caltrans right-of-way, which includes paved shoulders, gore areas, and existing maintenance pullout areas.

CEQA COMPLIANCE (for State Projects only)

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the following statements are true and exceptions do not apply (See 14 CCR 15300 et seq.):

- 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.

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
- ☐ Exempt by Statute. (PRC 21080[b]; 14 CCR 15260 et seq.)
 Based on an examination of this proposal, supporting information, and the above statements, the project is:
- ☒ Categorically Exempt. **Class 1(c)**. (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)
- ☐ Categorically Exempt. **General Rule 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 (CCR 15061[b][3].)]

Shay Lynn M. Harrison

Print Name: Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Signature

4/11/19 Date

J. Shawn Rizzutto

Print Name: Project Manager

Signature

04/15/19 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)(26)
- ☐ 23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)(1)
- ☐ 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.

Shay Lynn M. Harrison

Print Name: Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Signature

4/11/19 Date

J. Shawn Rizzutto

Print Name: Project Manager/DLA Engineer

Signature

04/15/19 Date

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion:

Date of ECR or equivalent:

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

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM

Continuation Sheet

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|----------------------------------|------------|------------------|---|
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Please see the Environmental Commitments Record (ECR) for the total commitments regarding this project, which include commitments for community impacts, hazardous waste/materials, hydraulics, and NPDES/Stormwater, as identified below.

COMMUNITY IMPACTS

1. Please ensure public outreach is conducted to ensure the motoring public is aware of any lane closures and/or detours.

HAZARDOUS WASTE/MATERIALS

1. Asphalt grindings – Asphalt grindings may be recycled for reuse or disposed of at an appropriate commercial facility.
2. Thermoplastic, traffic stripe, and/or pavement marking – Since this project will involve cold planning the entire AC surface, the resulting residue from the paint and/or thermoplastic will contain lead. The average lead concentrations are less than 1,000 mg/kg total lead and 5 mg/l soluble lead. This residue:
 - a) Is a nonhazardous waste
 - b) Does not contain heavy metals in concentrations that exceed thresholds established by the Health and Safety Code and 22 CA Code of Regulations
 - c) Is not regulated by the Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 USC Section 6901 et seq.
3. Management of this material exposes workers to health hazards that must be addressed in the lead compliance plan (LCP). This LCP must be prepared by a certified industrial hygienist (CIH) and implemented for all workers involved in removal/application of any hazardous or non-hazardous lead-based paint, thermoplastic, painted traffic stripe, and/or pavement marking.

HYDRAULICS

1. Protect the existing GDO inlet, just east of the ramp bridge.

NPDES/STORMWATER COMPLIANCE

This project will be designed in conformance with the NPDES Permit Order 2012-0011-DWQ and Appendix E of the Caltrans Project Planning and Design Guide (PPDG). The Project Engineer needs to determine whether a Short Form Storm Water Data Report (SWDR) or a Long Form SWDR shall be prepared for the project. The Disturbed Soil Area (DSA) under or over one acre would determine whether a Water Pollution Control Program (WPCP) or a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) is required prior to the start of construction.

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