

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of the County Clerk  
County of Los Angeles  
12400 Imperial Highway  
Norwalk, CA 90650

From: City of Downey  
11111 Brookshire Avenue  
Downey, CA 90241-7016

CITY OF DOWNEY  
CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION  
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



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Sep 05 2019

Dean C. Logan, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

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Project Title: Firestone Boulevard Traffic Safety Improvements  
Project Applicant: City of Downey  
Project Location - Specific: Firestone Boulevard - From Westerly City and Old River School Road  
Project Location - City: Downey Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

*The City of Downey proposes to construct raised concrete median with irrigation and landscape systems and to rehabilitate the existing pavement by cold milling and subsequent construction of asphalt rubber hot mix (ARHM) overlay on Firestone Boulevard between the Westerly City Limits and Old River School Road. The project includes removing existing striped median/pavement, installing raised concrete median islands, left-turn lanes, signage/stripping, and other related improvements as safety enhancements and to improve traffic flow and circulation along Firestone Boulevard. Once these improvements are completed, traffic throughput and safety along Paramount Boulevard will greatly improve.*

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Downey  
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Downey

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED  
ON September 05 2019  
UNTIL October 07 2019  
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

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:

*Class 1 Exemption, Section 15301(c): Existing Facilities; & Class 3 Exemption, Section 1533 (d): New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures of SEQA Guidelines*

Statutory Exemption (14 Cal. Admin. Code Sec. 15260 et. seq.)

Reasons why project is exempt:

*This project only involves the installation of raised median islands replacing the existing painted median, as well as minor street improvements which fall under repair, maintenance, and safety improvements of existing public facilities, and does not involve any expansion beyond what is existing. Based on the attached, Exhibit 6-F, Categorical Exemption/Categorical Exclusion Determination Form, the State has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under: 23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)(4).*

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Jim G. Bautista, P.E. Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (562) 904-7110

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: 9-4-19 Title: Public Works Deputy Director  
Edwin J. Norris

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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

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