

Notice of Exemption

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

From: (Public Agency): Caltrans, District 9
500 South Main Street
Bishop, CA 93514

County Clerk
County of: Kern

(Address)

Project Title: Frontier Utility Trenching in Inyokern

Project Applicant: Frontier Communications

Project Location - Specific:
On State Route 178 in the community of Inyokern, from Brown Road to approximately 1,200 feet east, on the north side of the highway.

Project Location - City: Inyokern Project Location - County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:
Caltrans plan to issue a highway encroachment permit for Frontier Communications to install new underground utility conduit (trenching and boring) in the community of Inyokern. The purpose of this project is to upgrade communications services such as telephone and internet.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Frontier Communications

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));
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land
Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:
No known environmental resources in Caltrans' right-of-way will be impacted by this highway encroachment permit work. Earthwork trenching and boring will be minor.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Benjamin Downard Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 760-872-0657

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: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 10/8/19 Title: ASSOCIATE ENV. PLANNER

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

[X] 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: OCT 08 2019

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