

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM

06-MAD-99	7.1/7.9	06-47100	
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.)

Caltrans intends to transfer to the County of Madera the six property segments comprising Relinquishment Number 86821 (see attached map). The six segments of land are located along Avenue 12, and Road 29 north and south of Avenue 12, and Golden State Boulevard. The property was acquired as a part of the State Route 99/Avenue Interchange Project which completed construction in 2016. Three bridges over Cottonwood Creek on local roads were replaced: Cottonwood Creek Overhead on Avenue 12, one bridge on Avenue 29 north of Avenue 12, and one bridge on Avenue 29 south of Avenue 12. It also includes the detention basin at Ave 12 and Road 29. (continued on next page)

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 _____ (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].)]

Juergen Vespermann

Print Name: Senior Environmental Planner

Jim Bane

Print Name: Project Manager

Signature

Date

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.

Print Name: Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Print Name: Project Manager/DLA Engineer

Signature

Date

Signature

Date

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Continuation Sheet

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The action of relinquishing property to the County of Madera would not have any environmental impacts.

Paleontological Resources:

Segments to be relinquished are underlain by high sensitivity paleontological resources of the late Pleistocene Modesto Formation. Future excavation within the segments has the potential to encounter fossils.

Paleontological mitigation monitoring occurred during construction of the State Route 99/Avenue 12 Interchange project, and three fossils were recovered.

DATE
10/29/2012
NAME
Brian J. Merrick
Drawn by
Checked by
Kuldeep Brar
06/07/2018

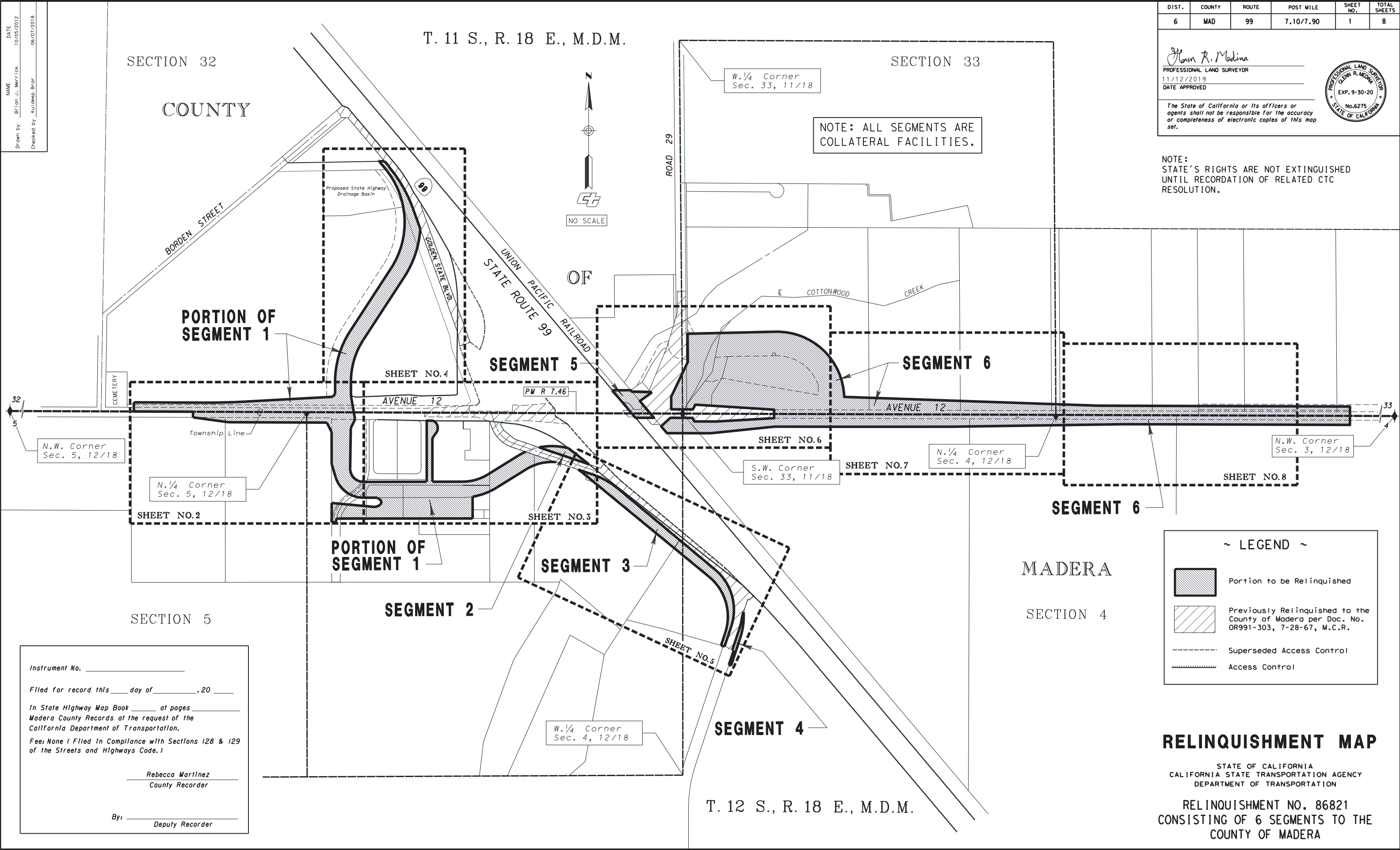
DIST.	COUNTY	ROUTE	POST MILE	SHEET NO.	TOTAL SHEETS
6	MAD	99	7.10/7.90	1	8

Alan R. Medina
PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR
11/12/2019
DATE APPROVED

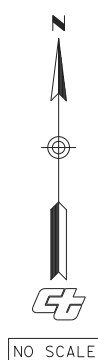
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

NOTE:
STATE'S RIGHTS ARE NOT EXTINGUISHED UNTIL RECORDATION OF RELATED CTC RESOLUTION.



NOTE: ALL SEGMENTS ARE COLLATERAL FACILITIES.



~ LEGEND ~

- Portion to be Relinquished
- Previously Relinquished to the County of Madera per Doc. No. OR991-303, 7-28-67, M.C.R.
- Superseded Access Control
- Access Control

Instrument No. _____
Filed for record this ____ day of _____, 20 ____
In State Highway Map Book _____ at pages _____
Madera County Records at the request of the
California Department of Transportation.
Fee: None (Filed in Compliance with Sections 128 & 129
of the Streets and Highways Code.)

Rebecca Martinez
County Recorder

By: _____
Deputy Recorder

RELINQUISHMENT MAP
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA STATE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
RELINQUISHMENT NO. 86821
CONSISTING OF 6 SEGMENTS TO THE
COUNTY OF MADERA