

11-IMP-5	6.0	3A-IMP-5	1120000078
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.)

Minor B Project located on Interstate 5 Right of Way in Chula Vista. Project proposes to add raised median to restrict left turn movements into new Valero fuel station driveway by westbound traffic on Palomar Street; project is located on westside of Interstate 5 vicinity near underpass of highway. All work will be confined to existing state right-of-way.

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].)]

<p>Shay Lynn M. Harrison</p> <p>Print Name: Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i> 2/20/2020 Signature Date</p>	<p>Harwell Ontoy</p> <p>Print Name: Project Manager</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i> 02/20/2020 Signature Date</p>
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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.

<p>NA</p> <p>Print Name: Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief</p> <p>_____ Signature Date</p>	<p>NA</p> <p>Print Name: Project Manager/DLA Engineer</p> <p>_____ Signature Date</p>
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Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion: NA Date of ECR or equivalent : 2/20/2020

January 3, 2019

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM
Continuation Sheet

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See Environmental Commitments Record and Local Coastal Program compliance for project conditions.

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Environmental Commitments Record (ECR)**

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EA 3A291

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ECR #s	Task and Brief Description	Reference	Responsible Branch / Staff	Timing / Phase	NSSP, SSP, Std Spec, Permit	Action Taken to Comply/Remarks	PS&E Task Completed		Construction Task Completed	
							Initial	Date	Initial	Date
1	Environmental PS&E Review		Project Management / Environmental Staff	Design					--	--
2	Preconstruction Meeting		Project Management / Resident Engineer	Pre-construction			--	--		
3	Transfer Resident Engineer Book		Project Management / Resident Engineer	Pre-construction			--	--		
4	Prejob Meeting		Project Management / Resident Engineer	Pre-construct			--	--		
5	Environmental Compliance Review		Project Management / Resident Engineer	Construct / Post-Construct			--	--		
6	Biology									
7	Appropriate erosion and siltation controls will be installed prior to construction to prevent construction deposits into waterways as per WPCP.	No Effect memo, Galloway 121919	Project Management / Resident Engineer	Construct / Post-Construct						
8	The temporary construction staging areas will occur in paved areas or level areas devoid of vegetation within Caltrans right of way.	No Effect memo, Galloway 121919	Project Management / Resident Engineer	Construct / Post-Construct						
9	No removal of vegetation is authorized as part of project described work.	No Effect memo, Galloway 121919	Project Management / Resident Engineer	Construct / Post-Construct						
10	If Project Plans are modified, Biologist shall be contacted to reevaluate for new potential impacts.	No Effect memo, Galloway 121919	Project Management / Resident Engineer	Construct / Post-Construct			--	--		

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