

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Placer County

2954 Richardson Drive

Auburn, CA 95603

From: (Public Agency): Placer County
Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA)
299 Nevada Street, Auburn, CA 95603

(Address)

Project Title: Placer County Short Range Transit Plan Amendment

Project Applicant: Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA)

Project Location - Specific:

South Placer County

Project Location - City: Lincoln, Roseville

Project Location - County: Placer

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The Placer County Short-Range Transit Plan (2018-2025) previously approved by PCTPA on August 22, 2018 requires an amendment to include a new fixed-route bus service between downtown Lincoln and Sacramento Regional Transit's Watt/I-80 light rail station called the South Placer County Transit Project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Placer Co. Dept. of Public Works

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: Section 15061(b)(3)-General Rule
- ☒ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: PUC Section 21080(b)(10)

Reasons why project is exempt:

Section 15061(b)(3), which provides the General Rule that if an activity does not have the potential to cause a significant environmental effect, it is exempt from CEQA. Also, per PUC 21080(b)(10) a project for the institution of passenger service on highway rights-of-way already in use is statutorily exempt under CEQA.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Ed Scofield, Proj Manager

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530.718.1884

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: 4/22/20

Title: Executive Director

☒ 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.

Date Received for filing at OPR: **APR 27 2020**

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

PLACER COUNTY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY

**IN THE MATTER OF: AMEND THE PLACER
COUNTY TRANSIT SHORT-RANGE TRANSIT
PLAN 2018-2025 TO INCLUDE THE SOUTH
PLACER COUNTY TRANSIT PROJECT**

RESOLUTION NO. 20-16

The following resolution was duly passed by the Placer County Transportation Planning Agency at a regular meeting held April 22, 2020 by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Allard, Baker, Broadway, Burruss, Holmes, Joiner, Maki, Uhler

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Signed and approved by me after its passage



Executive Director

Chair
Placer County Transportation Planning Agency

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Government Code, Title 7.91, Section 67910, PCTPA was created as a local area planning agency to provide regional transportation planning for the area of Placer County, exclusive of the Lake Tahoe Basin; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 29532.1(c) identifies PCTPA as the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency for Placer County, exclusive of the Lake Tahoe Basin; and

WHEREAS, PCTPA, working closely with Placer County and the City of Roseville, has identified an opportunity to provide fixed-route bus service between downtown Lincoln and Sacramento Regional Transit's Watt / I-80 light rail station, called the South Placer County Transit Project, which will help address a key mobility and traffic congestion issue along the State Route 65 corridor between I-80 and downtown Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, the Placer County Short-Range Transit Plan (2018-2025) previously accepted by PCTPA on August 22, 2018 requires amendment to include the South Placer County Transit Project; and

WHEREAS, amending the Placer County Short-Range Transit Plan (2018-2025) to include the South Placer County Transit Project will allow PCTPA to pursue funding for said service and assist Placer County to qualify for future State, federal and local transit operating funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Placer County Transportation Planning Agency:

1. Amends the Placer County Transit Short-Range Transit Plan 2018-2025 to include the South Placer County Transit Project as shown in Exhibit 1.
2. Determines that the Short-Range Transit Plan Amendment is an activity exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970 as defined in State Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3), for the implementation of CEQA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Placer County Transportation Planning Agency:

1. Determines that the South Placer County Transit Project is a project for the institution of passenger service on highway rights-of-way already in use and is a project statutorily exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970 pursuant to PUC 21080(b)(10).

The foregoing instrument is a CORRECT COPY
of the original on file in this office.
Attest: SOLVI SABOL, Board Secretary
Placer County Transportation Planning Agency
Placer County Local Transportation Authority
South Placer Regional Transportation Authority

