

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM**Continuation Sheet**

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Dist.-Co.-Rte. (or Local Agency)	P.M./P.M.	E.A/Project No.	Federal-Aid Project No. (Local Project)/Project No.

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General:

- Environmental reevaluation will be required if the scope of the project changes to include additional areas or activities, or if previously unknown cultural or other sensitive resources are discovered. Contact the Environmental Office if project changes occur or sensitive resources discovered.
- Contact the Environmental Office to attend the pre-construction meeting.

Cultural:

- If cultural materials are discovered at the job site, do not disturb the resources and immediately:
 1. Stop all work within a 60foot radius of discovery
 2. Protect the discovery area
 3. Notify the Engineer
 4. The Department Investigates. Do not move cultural materials or take them from the job site. Retain a qualified archaeologist to assess the significance of the find. Do not resume work within the discovery area until authorized.
- If human remains are discovered, State Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 states that further disturbances and activities shall cease in any area or nearby area suspected to overlie remains, and the County coroner contacted. Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 5097.98. If the remains are thought to be Native American, the coroner will notify the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) who will then notify the Most Likely Descendent (MLD). At the same time the landowner will work with the MLD on the respectful treatment and disposition of the remains. Further provisions of PRC 5097.98 are to be followed as applicable.

Hazardous Waste:

- Caltrans Standard Special Provision 7-1.02K(6)(j)(iii) pertaining to earth material containing lead, shall be included in the contract.
- Caltrans Standard Specification 14-11.14 regarding treated wood waste shall be adhered to.

Biology:

- Caltrans Standard Special Provision (SSP) 14-6.03A shall be included in the contract. During the Month of May, prior to any construction activities, a Caltrans biologist will conduct San Joaquin Kit Fox (SJKF) surveys within the project area. If construction does not begin within 30 days of the surveys completed in May, follow-up surveys will be conducted no more than 30 days prior to the start of construction.
- If SJKF dens are identified prior to or during construction, protective buffers will be established. Natal and pupping dens require a 200-foot buffer. Known dens require a 100-foot buffer. Potential and Atypical dens require a 50-foot buffer. 3. If a natal, known, potential, or atypical den is discovered, it's distance to the project will be determined. If that distance is less than the required buffer zone, flags will be placed at the site to delineate the area that must be avoided. The area delineated by the flags must be excluded by all construction personnel, equipment, and activities.
- Before any holes or burrows are filled, they must be thoroughly inspected to ensure no animals will be trapped within. If a SJKF is inadvertently killed or injured on the construction site, contact the Environmental Office immediately.
- Construction personnel may be required to participate in a training program prior to the start of construction. The training will inform personnel of the SJKF life history, how to identify the species or it's habitats, what to do if the species is encountered, and the State and Federal laws protecting the species. A Caltrans Biologist will notify the Resident Engineer prior to the start of construction if it is determined that a training program is required.
- No rodenticides, herbicides, or pets are allowed on the construction site.
- Caltrans SSP 14-10.01 shall be included in the contract to ensure trash is removed from the construction daily.
- Caltrans SSP 10-1.03 shall be added to the contract to restrict all construction activities to daylight hours only. No work is permitted between dusk and dawn.

No permits required.