



## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To:  
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From:  
City of Pasadena  
Department of Public Works  
100 N. Garfield Avenue, N306  
Pasadena, California 91109

**Project Title:** Union Street Two-way Cycle Track Federal-Aid Project ATPL 5064(089)

**Project Applicant:** City of Pasadena

**Project Address:** In the City of Pasadena, on South side of Union Street from Hill Avenue to Arroyo Parkway and on Holliston Avenue from Union Street to Cordova Street

**Project City:** Pasadena

**Project County:** Los Angeles

**Project Description:** This project involves the installation of a 1.5 mile, two-way protected cycle track on Union Street from Hill Avenue to Arroyo Parkway, including necessary signal upgrades with curb extensions, a reduction from 3 to 2 vehicle travel through lanes, and street resurfacing. The project also includes installation of bike boulevard along Holliston Avenue between Union Street and Cordova Street, which consists of bike lane installation and striping.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Pasadena

**Name of Person on Agency Carrying Out Project:** City of Pasadena

**Exempt Status (Check one):**

- ☐ Ministerial (California Public Resources Code, §21080(b)(1); California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Article 18, §15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (California Public Resources Code, §21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (California Public Resources Code, §21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
- ☒ Categorical Exemption (California Code of Regulations, Title 14 Chapter 3, Section 15301, Class 1)
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Article 18, §(#))
- ☒ Common Sense Exemption (i.e., General Rule) (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Article 5, §15061(b)(3))

**Reason why project is exempt:** The project has been determined to be exempt from environmental review pursuant to the guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15301 Existing Facilities and Section 15061(b)(3), the common sense exemption (formerly general rule). The project consists the installation of two-way protected cycle track and new traffic signals; modification of existing signalized intersections; and striping. There are no changes to the involved streets other than the installation of bike lanes and new traffic signals, the replacement of traffic signal standards and traffic signal equipment, and striping, all of which are accessory to and will improve the safety of the intersections for both pedestrians and vehicles. The project qualifies for a Class 1 Existing Facilities categorical exemption from CEQA, as it consists of minor alteration of existing streets, with no expansion of use. Alterations of streets that are specifically included in Class 1 include but are not limited to the addition of bicycle facilities, including bicycle-share facilities, bicycle lanes, and pedestrian crossings. There are no features that distinguish this project from others in the exempt class and, therefore, there are no unusual circumstances.

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TITLE: Engineer

DATE: April 29, 2020

REVIEWED BY: John Bellas

*John M. Bellas*

TITLE: Environmental Coordinator

DATE: April 29, 2020

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