



**CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 05/2020)**

Project Information

DIST-CO-RTE: 03-VAR-VAR

PM/PM: VAR/VAR

EA: 03-0J100

Federal-Aid Project Number:

Project Description

A Director's Order was issued to repair pavement on State Routes 70, 99, and 191 in Butte, Yuba, and Sutter Counties at various locations. The scope of work consists of replacing failed pavement, striping, traffic control, and incidental work. Use of these freeways is vital for regional commercial and recreational vehicular traffic, and the observed roadway failures necessitate immediate repairs to avoid the failure or threat of failure to the transportation system and to prevent or mitigate the loss or impairment of life, health, property and essential public services.

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Caltrans CEQA Determination (Check one)

☐ **Not Applicable** – Caltrans is not the CEQA Lead Agency

☐ **Not Applicable** – Caltrans has prepared an IS or EIR under CEQA

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, 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.)

☒ No exceptions apply that would bar the use of a categorical exemption (PRC 21084 and 14 CCR 15300.2). See the [SER Chapter 34](#) for exceptions.

☐ **Covered by the 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].)

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Julia K. Green

Print Name



Signature

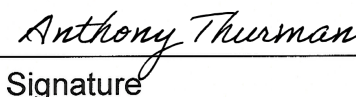
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Date

Project Manager

Anthony W. Thurman

Print Name



Signature

6/19/2020

Date



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Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

Caltrans 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). See [SER Chapter 30](#) for unusual circumstances. As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under NEPA and is included under the following:

☒ **23 USC 326:** Caltrans has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to 23 USC 326 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated April 18, 2019, executed between FHWA and Caltrans. Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:

☒ **23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)(22)**

☐ **23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)(Enter activity number)**

☐ **Activity Enter activity number listed in Appendix A of the MOU between FHWA and Caltrans**

☐ **23 USC 327:** Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, Caltrans 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.

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Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion: 6/18/20

Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: 6/18/20

Briefly list environmental commitments on continuation sheet if needed (i.e., not necessary if included on an attached ECR). Reference additional information, as appropriate (e.g., additional studies and design conditions).



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Continuation sheet:

Project Locations:

County	Route	Postmile	Direction
BUT	191	11.39	Northeast (NE)
BUT	191	10.4	Southbound (SB)
BUT	191	9.65	BOTH
BUT	191	8.6	Northbound (NB)
BUT	191	3.6	SB
BUT	99	28.2	NB
BUT	99	28.3	NB
BUT	99	29.2	NB
BUT	99	20.6	NB
BUT	99	4.04	NB
BUT	99	4.08	NB
BUT	99	4.40	NB
BUT	99	4.45	NB
BUT	99	4.55	NB
BUT	99	4.76	NB
BUT	99	4.91	NB
BUT	99	4.68	SB
BUT	99	4.13	SB
BUT	99	4.06	SB
BUT	99	3.98	SB
SUT	99	30.47	NB/SB
SUT	99	15.1	SB
SUT	99	14.5	SB
SUT	99	5.1	Eastbound (EB)/ Westbound (WB)
YUB	70	R5.05	SB
YUB	70	R4.03	SB
YUB	70	R4.00	SB

All staging and work would take place within the Caltrans right-of-way.

No need for consultation or coordination.

No permits are required.