

Notice of Exemption

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Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
County Clerk
County of: SAC

From: (Public Agency) Caltrans, Dist. 03
703 B Street
Marysville CA 95901

Project Title: COL 45 Digouts-HM

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes a pavement maintenance project on SR 45 in Colusa County.

Project Location - City: COL Project Location - County: COL

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

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Pavement Restoration to enhance the quality and life of Pavement.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation

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: Class 1, PRC 21084 Title 14 CCR, Section
☐ Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____

Reason why project is exempt:

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Masum A Patwary Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-741-4588

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: Masum A Patwary Date: 9/21/2020 Title: Associate Environmental Planner

☒ 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 Sep 28 2020

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DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 05/2020)**

Project Information

DIST-CO-RTE: 03-COL-045

PM/PM: 0.000/19.840

EA: 03-2G080

Federal-Aid Project Number: 0320000227

Project Description

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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

Erin Damm

Print Name

Erin D. Damm

Signature


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Project Manager

Jennifer J Key

Print Name


Signature

9/21/2020
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)(Enter activity number)**

☐ **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.

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

Print Name

Signature

Date

Project Manager/ DLA Engineer

Print Name

Signature

Date

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion: Enter date

Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: Enter date

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:

Staging

- All staging would occur within the Caltrans right-of-way on existing pullouts.

Disposal/Borrow

- No borrow is required. There will be earthwork from excavation that will be disposed of appropriately by the contractor.

Right-of Way

- All work would occur within the Caltrans right-of-way.

Consultation/Coordination

- No consultation/coordination are needed.

Permits

No permits are required.