

CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 11/2020)

Project Information

Project Name (if applicable): Lassen 395 Digouts

DIST-CO-RTE: 02-LAS-395 PM/PM: 9.0/14.5

EA: 02-3J900 Federal-Aid Project Number: 0222000095

Project Description

Caltrans, using state funds, proposes to remove and replace asphalt surface with Hot Mix Asphalt using the grinder dig-out method. The dig outs will be used in areas where the roadway is in poor condition to improve surface area until a more comprehensive project can be delivered. The proposed work will be within the roadway prism and existing staging areas. Continued on page 3.

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 1c. (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 <u>SER Chapter 34</u> 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].)

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2/15/22 Date

Project Manager

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Signature

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Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

⊠ Not Applicable

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 <u>SER Chapter 30</u> 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)

 \square 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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NA	NA	NA	
Print Name	Signature	Date	
Project Manager/ DLA E	Engineer		
NA	NA	NA	
Print Name	Signature	Date	

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion: NA **Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent:** 2/15/2022

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).



Continuation sheet:

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Dig outs will be performed at the following locations:

Co-Rte	Postmile limits	Width	Disposal Location
LAS-395	9.0-14.5	4'	LAS-395-PM 14.3

An Environmental Commitment Record has been completed for the project and references BMPs for Limits of Construction, Lead Compliance, and Water Quality.

Staging: Staging will occur within Caltrans Right of Way.

Disposal/Borrow: Grinding from the dig-outs will be placed in a pullout at LAS-395-PM 14.3 in a location that has been previously disturbed and used for similar purposes.

Consultation/Coordination: Based on the project description, and all work being confined to the existing pavement and previously disturbed staging areas, no consultation or coordination was necessary.

Permits: No regulatory permits are required.

Right of Way: The project will be within state right of way, no additional ROW are acquisitions required.