

## Notice of Exemption

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**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk  
County of Amador, Merced, San Joaquin, and Tuolumne

**From:** Caltrans, Dist. 10  
1976 E. Dr Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd  
Stockton, Ca 95205

Project Title: 10-1T480 AMA, MER, SJ, TUO High Friction Surface Treatment

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes installing High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST) at six (6) locations in Amador, Merced, San Joaquin, and Tuolumne Counties.

Project Location - City: Pioneer, Hollister, Gustine, Linden, Sonora Project Location - County: Amador, Merced, San Joaquin, Tuolumne

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The scope of work requires prepping the existing roadway by milling the pavement to remove existing delineation to seal any cracks for longevity and overlaying with approved aggregate and epoxy. The purpose of this project is to increase the friction between the tires of motor vehicles and the roadway. The project is needed to reduce the number and severity of roadway collisions during wet pavement conditions.

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: Section 15301 Existing Facilities
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project will not affect any sensitive species or their habitat, cultural resources, scenic resources, or any other environmentally sensitive resources.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Maria Garcia Lopez Phone number: 209-670-9385

**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: Maria Garcia Lopez Date: 05/29/2025 Title: Environmental Scientist

Signed by Lead Agency       Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.