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BY: *Carrie Anderson*  
Carrie Anderson, Deputy Clerk



## NOTICE OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION

Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department

2550 Ventura Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95403  
(707) 565-1900 Fax (707) 565-1103

Sonoma County proposes to carry out the following project. Pursuant to Section 23A of the Sonoma County Code, it has been determined that this project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

**Project Title:** 2025 Culvert Replacement Program

**Public Agency:** Sonoma County

**Project Applicant:** Sonoma Public Infrastructure

**Applicant Address:** 400 AVIATION BLD SUITE 100, Santa Rosa, Ca., 95403

**Project Location:** Various County Roads

**Date of Approval:** June 14, 2024

**Exemption Filed With:** Sonoma County Clerk

To:

County Clerk- Recorder Office Office of Planning and Research

County of Sonoma  
585 Fiscal Drive, Room 103  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

**DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE PROJECT:** The Sonoma County Department of Transportation and Public Works 2020 Culvert Replacement Program entails removal of existing deteriorating culverts and installing replacement culverts prioritizing those with trench plates. Twelve culverts will be replaced:

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| 1) Bailey Road PM. 10.51                  | 12) Salmon Creek Road PMs. 11.42, 11.84, 11.9, 12.1, 12.12 |
| 2) Bei Road PM. 10.82                     | 13) Lichau Road PM. 13.94                                  |
| 3) Blucher Valley Road PM. 10.54          | 14) Ludwig Road PM. 10.57                                  |
| 4) Bodega Avenue PM. 18.58                | 15) Willow Avenue PM. 10.1                                 |
| 5) Bodega Hwy. PM. 12.33                  | 16) Freezeout Road PM. 10.05                               |
| 6) Bodega Hwy. PM. 13.32                  | 17) Laughlin Road PM. 31.89                                |
| 7) Bonnes Road PM.10.55                   | 18) Green Valley Road PM 10.01                             |
| 8) Coleman Valley Road. PM.16.89          | 19) Roblar Road PM. 12. 54                                 |
| 9) Mariola Road PM. 10.01                 | 20) Slusser Road PM. 10.92                                 |
| 10) Occidental Road PM. 16.11             | 21) Sequoia Avenue PM. 10.01                               |
| 11) Occidental Camp Meeker Road PM. 10.21 |  |

This project consists of structural excavation to remove existing cross culverts, installation of replacement cross culverts, cut-off walls, and rock slope protection, as needed. Trenches will be backfilled, hot mix asphalt placed, and striping painted. If water is present at the worksite or has the potential to come into contact with curing concrete, a water diversion plan will be implemented. Erosion and sediment control BMPs will be used and installed at each worksite. No trees will be removed during construction; however, some pruning and ground vegetation may be required to access the work sites.

### EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemptions: Sections 15301, 15302, 1530 J (c), and 15302(c)

### REASON WHY THIS PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

The proposed project is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Sections 15301

[Existing Facilities] and 15302 [Replacement or Reconstruction] of the Guidelines for Implementation of CEQA. Section 1530 J (c) exempts the repair or minor alteration of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities. Section 15302(c) exempts the replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity. No exceptions listed under Section 15300.2 apply. There is no reasonable possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment.

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This Notice of Exemption is filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:**

David H. Walsh

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Permit and Resource Management Department  
Natural Resources Section, Planning Division  
(707) 565-2526

**Project Proponent:**

*Rob Houweling*

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Rob Houweling,  
Road Operations Division Manager  
Sonoma Public Infrastructure



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
**CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:  
49-06112025-234

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY SONOMA COUNTY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 06/11/2025
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COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SONOMA	DOCUMENT NUMBER 25-0611-02
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PROJECT TITLE  
2025 CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME SONOMA PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (707) 526-2526
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 400 AVIATION BLVD STE 100	CITY SANTA ROSA	STATE CA	ZIP CODE 95403
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PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency     School District     Other Special District     State Agency     Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$4,123.50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$2,968.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$1,401.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Exempt from fee
  - Notice of Exemption (attach)
  - CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
- Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

- Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$850.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- County documentary handling fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00
- Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Cash     Credit     Check     Other
- TOTAL RECEIVED** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00

SIGNATURE 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Carrie Anderson, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder
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