

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Caltrans District 11
4050 Taylor Street, MS 242
San Diego, CA 92110

Project Title - Repair Bridge along I-5 at Old Town Viaduct in San Diego, CA

Project Applicant - Caltrans

Project Location - Specific: Along I-5 on Bridge # 57-0549 (Old Town Viaduct) about 0.25 miles south of Rosecrans Street

Project Location - City: San Diego

Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Caltrans proposes a Director's Order (DO) to complete structural repairs to maintain the safety and integrity of Bridge # 57-0549 (Old Town Viaduct) along I-5. Work includes repair of a deteriorated longitudinal joint seal to ensure safety along MTS trolley rails, placement of concrete for slope paving under the bridge, and cleaning of existing gutters on the bridge. The joint seal on the I-5 Bridge # 57-0549 is damaged and leaking onto the trolley rails below. There will be temporary lane closures to install K-rail and restripe travel lanes to allow access and work on shoulders adjacent to the concrete barrier wall on the bridge. Same closures are needed to remove K-rail and restripe lanes upon completion of the work. All work will occur within State right-of-way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans, District 11

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans, District 11

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: 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

Project consists of the repair, maintenance, of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Specifically, Caltrans proposes to complete structural repairs to maintain the safety and integrity of Bridge # 57-0549 (Old Town Viaduct) along I-5. Work includes repair of a deteriorated longitudinal joint seal to ensure safety along MTS trolley rails, placement of concrete for slope paving under the bridge, and cleaning of existing gutters on the bridge.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Emery McCaffery

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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: Emery McCaffery Date: 6/25/2025 Title: Associate Environmental Planner

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 6/25/2025

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

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