

## Notice of Exemption

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**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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County Clerk  
County of Alameda  
1106 Madison Street  
Oakland, CA 94607

**From:** California Department of Transportation  
111 Grand Avenue  
Oakland, CA 94612

Project Title: Interstate 880/Decoto Road Interchange Modernization Project

Project Applicant: City of Fremont

Project Location - Specific: The project includes the I-880/Decoto Road interchange, located in the northeast portion of the City of Fremont and adjacent to the City of Newark in Alameda County, California. The project site extends from postmile 10.1 to 10.5 along I-880, and includes the existing on-ramps and portions of existing off-ramps at Decoto Road, the Decoto Road overcrossing, the Decoto Road and Cabrillo Court intersection, and small portions of the northern, eastern, and western quadrants of the interchange near the existing ramps.

Project Location - City: Fremont

Project Location - County: Alameda

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The City of Fremont, in partnership with the Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), proposes the construction of the project to improve multimodal access and improve bicycle and pedestrian accessibility and comfort along Decoto Road within the limits of the Decoto Road interchange. Interchange improvements were among the top priorities identified in Fremont's Mobility Action Plan. The project would provide a transit priority lane and improved bicycle and pedestrian access through the interchange while maintaining or improving traffic operations within the interchange.

The project would widen the existing I-880/Decoto Road interchange and realign the existing northbound and southbound ramps to allow for the construction of bus transit lanes on Decoto Road in each direction and new bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: City of Fremont

**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: Existing Facilities (Class 1; PRC 21084) (14 CCR 15301)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

This project is eligible for a Class 1 Categorical Exemption. After reviewing the project plans and current environmental databases/additions, Caltrans Environmental Analysis determined that the project will have no effect on the environment.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Brian Gassner

Phone number: (510) 506-0372

**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: *Brian Gassner*      Date: 07/11/2025      Title: D4 Environmental Analysis  
Branch Chief

- 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.






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