Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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From: Caltrans
1352 West Olive Avenue
Fresno, CA 93728

Project Title: Caltrans D6 CVIN MMBN EP 06-25-6-BB-0540

Project Applicant: CVIN, LLC

Project Location - Specific: On Interstate 5 from post mile (PM) 1.211 (Lebec Service Road) and PM 0.0 (I-5 northbound on-ramp) in Kern County

Project Location - City: Lebec Project Location - County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
CVIN, dba Vast Networks, in coordination with the California Department of Technology and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), proposes to install broadband infrastructure consisting of fiber optic cable and vaults on Interstate 5 from post mile (PM) 1.211 (Lebec Service Road) and PM 0.0 (I-5 northbound on-ramp) in Kern County.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: CVIN, LLC

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: _____
- ☒ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: PRC 21080.51

Reasons why project is exempt:
Installation of broadband infrastructure is exempt by statue pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.51

Lead Agency Contact Person: Alex Rangel Phone number: (559) 383-5997

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:  Date: 08/12/2025 Title: Senior 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.