

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of Orange
601 N. Ross Street
Santa Ana, CA 92701

From: Caltrans – District 12
1750 E 4th Street, St. 100
Santa Ana, CA 92705

Project Title: 12-0V490 SR-73/133 Pavement Delineation Upgrade

Project Applicant: Caltrans – District 12

Project Location - Specific: ORA-073-10.7/R27.6 & ORA-133-10.2/13.6

Project Location - City: Costa Mesa, Irvine, Newport Beach, Laguna Beach, Aliso Viejo, Laguna Niguel, Laguna Hills, San Juan Capistrano, Dana Point, and San Clemente

Project Location - County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project proposes to remove and replace existing thermoplastic pavement markings and to install rumble strips on Route 73 from Paseo De Colinas UC to 0.3 mi North of Bear Street and on Route 133 from 0.7 mi South of Trabuco Road to 0.1 mi South of Bee Canyon Access Road, in the City of Costa Mesa, Irvine, Newport Beach, Laguna Beach, Aliso Viejo, Laguna Niguel, Laguna Hills, San Juan Capistrano, Dana Point, and San Clemente. All work will occur within paved travel way within Caltrans Right of Way, the total disturbed soil area is less than one acre, and the project is State funded only.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans – District 12

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans – District 12

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: CCR Tit. 14 § 15301(c)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety, and other alterations such as the addition of bicycle facilities, including but not limited to bicycle parking, bicycle-share facilities and bicycle lanes, transit improvements such as bus lanes, pedestrian crossings, street trees, and other similar alterations that do not create additional automobile lanes).

Lead Agency Contact Person: Sunny Saroa Phone number: (949) 556-2513

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: 8/21/25 Title: Sr 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.