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: 12-0V760 Rte. 57 Install Fiber Cable & Upgrade RMS Switches

Project Applicant: Caltrans – District 12

Project Location - Specific: ORA-057-11.2/R22.5

Project Location - City: Anaheim, Brea, Fullerton, Orange, Placentia, Santa Ana.

Project Location - County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project proposes to upgrade twelve ramp metering systems (RMS) to an internet protocol (IP) system along SR-57 from postmile (PM) 11.2 to R22.5. The projects also proposes to replace fiber optic cables, detector lean-in cable (DLC), install new mainline loops, conduit, and traffic pull boxes along NB SR-57. The total disturbed soil area is less than 1 acre, all work will occur within the paved travel way within Caltrans Right of Way, 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: 8/22/25 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.