Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Department of Transportation
1976 East Doctor Martin King Junior Boulevard
Stockton, California 95205

Project Title: Replace and install new Transportation Management System (TMS) elements in AMA, CAL, MPA, MER, SJ & TUO county on route 48, 88, 99, 108, 120 & 140

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Project Location - Specific: Project will take place at point location on routes 48,88,99,108,120 and 140

Project Location - City: Point locations in Angles City, Calaveras County; Buck Meadows, Mariposa, Mariposa County; Firebrook, Amador County Manteca City, Stockton, San Joaquin County

Project Location - County: AMA, CAL, MPA, MER, SJ, TUO

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes in Tuolumne, Amador, Calaveras, Merced, Mariposa, and San Joaquin counties, on Routes 49, 88, 99, 108, 120 and 140 at various locations, to replace existing and install new Traffic Management System (TMS) elements, and construct maintenance vehicle pullouts. The purpose of this project is to enhance the performance and reliability of existing TMS elements, minimize operation and maintenance costs, and provide designated maintenance areas. This project is needed due to outdated or failing TMS elements and a lack of designated maintenance areas in the project area. All work will occur within existing Caltrans right of way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation

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: Class 1(f); 14 CCR 15301 (f)
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
The project will replace and add Transportation Management System (TMS) elements. The construction of all components is within existing equipment and structures with negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The proposed project would have "no effect" on any protected species listed by the state or federally. There are no historic properties within the project vicinity and no potential to impact historical resources. In addition, there are no hazardous material impacts.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Jonathan Coley Phone number: (209)479-4083

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: 08/27/25 Title: 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.