

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Caltrans District 11
4050 Taylor Street, MS 242
San Diego, CA 92110

Project Title: I-5 Ramp Pavement Rehab on Southbound I-5 Aliso Creek Rest Area Onramp

Project Applicant: Caltrans

Project Location - Specific: On southbound I-5 Aliso Creek Rest Area Onramp at postmile R59.8

Project Location - City: Unincorporated

Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Caltrans proposes ramp pavement rehabilitation by removing 0.2 feet of existing asphalt and replacing it with 0.2 feet of Rubberized Hot Mix Asphalt (RHMA) on the southbound I-5 Aliso Creek Rest Area Onramp at postmile R59.8 in San Diego County. Ramp pavement rehabilitation is necessary to improve traffic safety on this damaged onramp. All work will be performed within the existing ramp pavement and within Caltrans right-of-way. Temporary staging for a maximum of four days may occur in the rest area using Best Management Practices (BMPs) such as plastic tarps. There is a paved service area within the rest area where equipment may be staged if necessary. Work will include grinding of existing pavement, tack coating, paving with RHMA, fog seal, dike installation, striping, installation of pavement markers, and temporary traffic control according to 2024 Standard Plans and Standard Specifications. No alteration of vegetation, slope, or drainage systems is anticipated to occur because of the ramp pavement rehabilitation.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans, District 11

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans, District 11

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: 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Project consists of the repair, maintenance, of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Caltrans will complete ramp pavement rehabilitation by removing 0.2 feet of existing asphalt and replacing it with 0.2 feet of Rubberized Hot Mix Asphalt (RHMA) on the southbound I-5 Aliso Creek Rest Area Onramp.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Emery McCaffery

Phone number: 858-289-1270

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: Emery McCaffery Date: 9/16/2025 Title: Associate Environmental Planner

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 9/16/2025

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.