

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Sonoma

585 Fiscal Drive, Suite 103

Santa Rosa, CA 95403

From: (Public Agency): Sonoma County Public Infrastructure
400 Aviation Blvd., Suite 100
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

(Address)

Project Title: Winter Storms 2024-25 Damaged Site - Wohler Road

Project Applicant: Sonoma County Public Infrastructure

Project Location - Specific:

Wohler Road at Post Mile 10.24 (38.493889, -122.881667)

Project Location - City: Forestville

Project Location - County: Sonoma

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The County of Sonoma has proposed the 2024-25 storm damage repair project on Wohler Road (Postmile 10.24), located near Forestville, California. The Project will be funded by local funds and undertaken by the Sonoma County Department of Public Infrastructure. The purpose of the Project is to repair a portion of Wohler Road at approximately Postmile 10.24 that failed during the 2024-25 storms and flooding. The County proposes to repair approximately 500 feet of roadway along Wohler Road.

The project proposes to construct storm damage slide repair work along Wohler Road adjacent to Mark West Creek at Post Mile 10.24. The work includes installing a 500 feet length by 50 feet depth interlocking sheet pile wall with concrete pile cap along the roadway. The new wall will be placed approximately 2 feet offset from the previously existing "fog line" stripe along the road and will be used to support the roadway and prevent further erosion. Other related items of work include excavating native soil and establishing subgrade benching, placing rock slope protection, drainage improvements, metal beam guard rail, delineators, erosion control measures, and finally reconstructing the roadway structural section of aggregate base and asphalt concrete for about 100 linear feet of roadway, fog sealing the entire roadway with an asphalt emulsion, and finally restriping the centerline and fog-lines. New RSP will be limited to above the Ordinary High-Water Mark. Limited tree trimming and removal of 1 bay tree is also required to facilitate the work. Utility poles will be relocated prior to construction. The project will include riparian restoration and RSP previously placed as part of the temporary emergency repair will be removed with this project as well.

The project has 80 working days, which is a construction duration of roughly 4 months.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Sonoma County Public Infrastructure

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Sonoma County Public Infrastructure

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: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:


The proposed project is statutorily exempt from environmental review pursuant to section 15269 [Emergency Projects] and categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Sections 15301 [Existing Facilities] of the Guidelines for Implementation of CEQA. Section 15269(b) exempts emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety or welfare. Section 15269(c) exempts specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency. Section 15301(c) exempts the repair or minor alteration of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities. There is no reasonable possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Anthony Moore Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707-565-2958

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: 2/19/2026 Title: Construction Engineer

Signed by Lead Agency ■ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____