Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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County Clerk
County of Merced

From: Caltrans, Dist. 10
1976 E. Dr Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
Stockton, Ca 95205

Project Title: 10-1U260 MER 99 Highway Landscape Maintenance

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific: At Postmiles (PM) R30.1 through R30.6 on State Route (SR) 99 in Merced County.

Project Location - City: Livingston Project Location - County: Merced

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
The project repairs will be on both the North Bound On-ramp and the South Bound On-Ramp. All work will be within 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: Section 15301 Existing Facilities
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
The project will not affect any sensitive species or their habitat, cultural resources, scenic resources, or any other environmentally sensitive resources.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Maria Garcia Lopez Phone number: (209)670-9385

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: Maria Garcia Lopez Date: 09/24/2025 Title: 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.