## Notice of Exemption

**To:** Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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**From:** California Department of Transportation, District 6
1352 West Olive Avenue
Fresno, CA 93728

Project Title: Caltrans D6 CVIN Encroachment Permit # 06-25-6-SV-1387

Project Applicant: CVIN, LLC

Project Location - Specific: Within the City of Woodlake at the intersection of State Route 245/ Valencia Boulevard and Whitney Avenue, postmile 7.44 in Tulare County

Project Location - City: Taft Project Location - County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
The encroachment permit applicant, CVIN, is proposing to conduct environmental survey work within the City of Woodlake in Tulare County at the intersection of State Route 245/ Valencia Boulevard and Whitney Avenue, postmile 7.44. Work will include windshield surveys, with occasional stops in designated pull-out areas to review and account for sensitive species. A notice will be placed behind the vehicle during stops for safety. All vehicles will remain within the maintained shoulder (graded/shoulder backed areas). No ground disturbance, vegetation disturbance, or wildlife trapping is permitted. Caltrans will issue an encroachment permit (06-25-6-SV-1387) for the survey work within State right-of-way.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation, District 6

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: CVIN, LLC

Exempt Status **(check one)**:

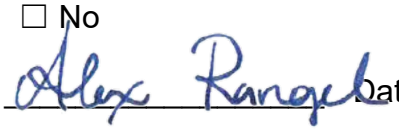
- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 6, 15306
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
Caltrans has determined the project to be categorically exempt in accordance with Section 15306 (Information Collection) Class 6 - Basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a

serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. The project would have no significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Alex Rangel Phone number: (559) 383-5997

**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: 09/12/2025 Title: Senior 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.