



**CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 06/2022)**

Project Information

Project Name (if applicable): Replace Laminated Signs

DIST-CO-RTE: 03-VAR-VAR

PM/PM: VAR/VAR

EA: 03-2N130

EFIS: 0325000249

Project Description

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) initiated a Director's Order for an emergency project to replace road signs with failing lamination along multiple routes in Colusa, Glenn, Sacramento, Placer and Yolo Counties. Caltrans proposes mobilization, remove defective laminated signs from existing posts/overhead structure, install new posts as required, install new laminated signs, traffic control, and incidental work. Additional location information is provided on page 3.

Caltrans CEQA Determination (Check one)

- ☐ **Not Applicable** – Caltrans is not the CEQA Lead Agency
☐ **Not Applicable** – Caltrans has prepared an IS or EIR under CEQA

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the project is:

- ☐ **Exempt by Statute.** (PRC 21080[b]; 14 CCR 15260 et seq.)
☒ **Categorically Exempt. Class 1(d).** (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)
 ☒ No exceptions apply that would bar the use of a categorical exemption (PRC 21084 and 14 CCR 15300.2). See the [SER Chapter 34](#) for exceptions.
☐ **Covered by the Common Sense Exemption.** This project does not fall within an exempt class, but it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment (14 CCR 15061[b][3].)

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

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Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

☒ **Not Applicable**

Caltrans has determined that this project has no significant impacts on the environment as defined by NEPA, and that there are no unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b). See [SER Chapter 30](#) for unusual circumstances. As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under NEPA and is included under the following:

☐ **23 USC 326:** Caltrans has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to 23 USC 326 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated April 18, 2022, executed between FHWA and Caltrans. Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:

☐ **23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)()**

☐ **23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)()**

☐ **Activity listed in Appendix A of the MOU between FHWA and Caltrans**

☐ **23 USC 327:** Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under 23 USC 327. The environmental review, consultation, and any other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by Caltrans pursuant to 23 USC 327 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated May 27, 2022, and executed by FHWA and Caltrans.

Senior Environmental Planner or Environmental Branch Chief

N/A

Print Name

Signature

Date

Project Manager/ DLA Engineer

N/A

Print Name

Signature

Date

Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion (if applicable): N/A

Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: N/A

Briefly list environmental commitments on continuation sheet if needed (i.e., not necessary if included on an attached ECR). Reference additional information, as appropriate (e.g., additional studies and design conditions).



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Continuation sheet:

Purpose and Need

The purpose of this project is to replace defective delaminated signs from multiple locations.

This project is needed to prevent traffic safety incidents related to illegible or difficult to read road signs. In addition, the existing signs do not meet Caltrans specifications.

Project Location Information

The locations of the Caltrans road signs associated with this project are:

- Interstate 5 in Colusa County at post mile (PM) 5.48
- Interstate 5 in Colusa County at PM 17.9
- Interstate 5 in Colusa County at PM 19.8
- Interstate 5 in Glenn County at PM 10.7
- State Route 51 in Sacramento County at PM 2.04
- State Route 65 in Placer County at PM 5.3
- Interstate 80 in Placer County at PM 2.57
- Interstate 80 in Placer County at PM 5.16
- Interstate 80 in Sacramento County at PM 17.25
- State Route 99 in Sacramento County at PM 0.74
- State Route 113 in Yolo County at PM 3.94
- Interstate 505 in Yolo County at PM 10.3

Staging

If required, all staging would occur within the Caltrans facility.

Disposal/Borrow

Based on the proposed scope of work, no borrow or disposal is required for this project.

Right-of-Way

This project would be completed within the Caltrans Right-of-Way.

Consultation/Agency Coordination

Based on the proposed scope of work and due to the nature of the project, consultation and agency coordination are not required for this project.

Permits

Based on the proposed scope of work, no regulatory permits are required.

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