Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Department of Transportation
703 B Street
Marysville, CA 95901

Project Title: NEV 174 Replace Culvert (EA 03-2N310)

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation – District 3

Project Location - Specific: Nevada County on State Route 174 at post mile (PM) 9.50.

Project Location - City: Grass Valley Project Location - County: Nevada

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes mobilization, roadway excavation, remove and replace corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culvert and replace with reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) culvert, backfill, place hot mix asphalt (HMA), ditch repairs, install new drainage inlet, traffic control, and incidental work on State Route 174 in Nevada County.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans – District 3

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans – District 3

Exempt Status **(check one)**:

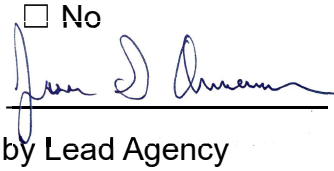
- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1(d), Section 15301 Existing Facilities.
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
This project is exempt under Class 1(d), Section 15301 Existing Facilities as the project proposes to replace a failed culvert in a segment of existing roadbed of State Route 174 in Nevada County. Additionally, the project does not propose to expand the use of the existing facility.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Jason Ammerman Phone number: (530) 649-6959

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: 10/2/2025 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.