

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Submission of this form is optional. The form shall be filed with the County Clerk pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21152(b). Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21168(d), the filing of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on Court challenges to the approval of the project. Failure to file the notice results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.

TO:

Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

TO:

Los Angeles County Clerk
12400 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, CA 90650

FROM (LEAD AGENCY AND APPLICANT ADDRESS):

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP)
111 North Hope Street, Room 1044
Los Angeles, CA 90012

PROJECT TITLE: Adelanto-Toluca Line 1 Access Road Forest Route 4N35 Culvert Installation

PROJECT LOCATION:

34°23'9.51"N, 118°
15'38.40"W

CITY:**COUNTY:**

Los Angeles

DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:

LADWP is proposing to install a culvert on the Angeles National Forest to address ongoing issues with road flooding along access roads to the Adelanto-Toluca Line 1 transmission towers. Specifically, there is a turn along Forest Route 4N35, approximately 2,500 feet west of the North Fork Ranger Station, that repeatedly floods after rain events. The proposed culvert will be approximately 3 feet in width and 30 feet in length. The project scope of work will include the following: use a backhoe to place the culvert over the road, use a backhoe to obtain fill materials from within the existing ROW and fill over culvert, and compact the finished road. The estimated amount of fill material is approximately 5 cubic yards. No soil will be removed from the proposed culvert location. Temporary steel plates and other construction debris will be removed from the project location. The vehicle staging area will be at the North Fork Picnic Site in an upland area. The dimensions of the work area and grading will be 15 feet in width and 60 feet in length.

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EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

SECTION:

15301(b)

JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this project is Categorically Exempt pursuant to Section 15301 (Existing Facilities). Section 15301, Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

LEAD AGENCY SIGNATURE: Jane A. Hauptman

**TITLE:**

Manager of Environmental Planning and
Assessment

DATE:

10/15/25

ADL-TOL Line 1 Access Road Forest Route 4N35 Culvert Installation

Legend

-  ADL-TOL L1 Towers
-  North Fork Ranger Station
-  Proposed Culvert Installation Work Area

North Fork Ranger Station

50.2

50.3

50.4

Google Earth

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900 ft

