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NOTICE OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION

Sonoma County proposes to carry out the following project. Pursuant to Section 23A-11 of the Sonoma County Code, it has been determined that this project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

Project Title: Joy Road PM 11.10 - Emergency Slide Repair Project
Lead Agency / County Agency of Filing: Sonoma County
Project Proponent (Applicant): Sonoma County Department of Transportation and Public Works
Applicant Address: 2300 County Center Drive, Suite A220, Santa Rosa, CA 95403
Project Location: Joy Road Post Mile 11.10 Occidental, CA
Date of Approval: January 18, 2024
Exemption Filed With: Sonoma County Clerk

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
Joy Road was damaged by heavy rains. The project is needed to provide a safe public road for use by local and regional traffic, as well as emergency responders. The project would repair sustained damage during winter storm events. The project would include constructing a retaining wall along the edge of the roadway, removing heavy mud and debris, and repairing failed sections of the roadway. The project is consistent with the County General Plan.

REASON WHY THIS PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

This is a declared "Emergency Project" as designated by signed 'Proclamation of Emergency' by the State Governor pursuant to Government Code, Title 2, Division 1, Chapter 7 – California Emergency Services Act [8550-8669.7]

The project would repair and restore a public facility (Joy Road), which is part of an evacuation route, and was damaged by the heavy winter storms, in order to maintain service along the roadway essential to the public health, safety and welfare. The project would not result in potential impacts to the environment, including hazardous materials, cultural resources, or biological resources.

Project is categorically exempt per the following:
1) Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

This Notice of Exemption is filed pursuant to the provisions of Section 15062 of the State CEQA Guidelines.
Project Proponent:

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