Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Caltrans District 11
4050 Taylor Street, MS 242
San Diego, CA 92110

Project Title: Encampment Exclusion Measures on I-15

Project Applicant: Caltrans, District 11

Project Location - Specific: North Parkway onramp to SB I-805, NB I-15 offramp to University Avenue, SB I-15 onramp to University Avenue, and Pedestrian Bridge abutments over I-15

Project Location - City: San Diego Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
Caltrans proposes an Encampment Deterrent Project at North Parkway onramp to SB I-805, NB I-15 offramp to University Avenue, SB I-15 onramp to University Avenue, and Pedestrian Bridge abutments over I-15 in San Diego County. Project work consists of securing bridge abutment, repairing damaged slopes, removing and replacing existing chainlink fence and gates with hardened 4D fence and gates, and constructing hardscaping such as riprap / angular rocks / boulders. Grout is anticipated to be used with the rocks to prevent individuals from removing the rocks or tossing them onto road

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans, District 11

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans, District 11

Exempt Status:

- ☐ 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: 15302
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
This project consists of the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. Caltrans is replacing and reconstructing existing fence and gates, which will have substantially the same purpose and capacity.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Petra El-Shammas Phone number: 858-472-7328

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: Petra El-Shammas Date: 11/4/2025 Title: Environmental Scientist

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 11/4/2025

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.