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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of: _____

From: (Public Agency): California Department of Transportation
District 1 Office, 1656 Union St, Eureka CA, 95501

(Address)

Project Title: Benbow CAPM

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Project Location - Specific:

US 101 at post mile (PM) 0.0-1.1 and 2.2-10.27.

Project Location - City: Garberville Project Location - County: Humboldt

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project proposes improvements to approximately six miles of U.S. 101 In Humboldt County between post miles (PM) T0.0 and 1.1, and PM 2.2 and R10.27. The purpose of the project is to install new pavement, guardrail and bridge approach upgrades along with dike and overside drain improvements, and replace a census station at PM T0.019. The project is needed to preserve and extend the service life of the roadway. Deficiencies within the project limits include pavement in "fair" condition, one TMS asset in "poor" condition, and nonstandard items including Metal Beam Guard Rail (MBGR) and signs. All work will be within Caltrans ROW.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

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
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Negligible or no expansion of an existing facility. Repairing or replacing existing facility to increase roadway safety and function.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Morgan Kipf Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 7074920167

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: 11/13/2025 Title: Environmental Scientist

▪ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____