

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of San Francisco

From: Caltrans District 4 Office of Maintenance Environmental
111 Grand Ave
Oakland, CA 94612

Project Title: US-101 Fence Replacement, Mulching, and Rock Blanket Project (EA 3X400)

Project Applicant: Caltrans

Project Location - Specific: The project is located on US-101 in the City and County of San Francisco at the South Van Ness Avenue onramp at post mile 5.10.

Project Location - City: San Francisco Project Location - County: San Francisco

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Caltrans proposes replacing a chain link fence and placing mulch and a rock blanket on US-101 at post mile 5.10 in San Francisco. The existing chain link fence will be replaced with a wrought iron fence and about ¼ ton rock mulch and rock blanket will be placed to restrict access to walls and deter re-encampment in the area. Some project elements will occur off the paved roadway. One-way traffic control will be required during construction. Construction is estimated to begin in April of 2026. Construction shall remain within Caltrans right of way (ROW) and equipment shall be staged within Caltrans ROW in areas absent of vegetation.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: 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: PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15301 Class 1(c)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 1(c) Existing Facilities. The project is not anticipated to result in any environmental impacts. The project contains a number of standardized project measures which are employed on most, if not all, Caltrans projects and were not developed in response to any specific environmental impacts resulting from the project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Juliane Smith

Phone number: (510) 926-0426

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: Juliane Smith Date: 12/9/25

Title: Senior Environmental Scientist (NEPA/CEQA Specialist)

☒ 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.