Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

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

From: (Public Agency) Caltrans, District 11
4050 Taylor St,
San Diego, CA, 92110
(Address)

County Clerk
County of: San Diego

Project Title: MC 26-027 Replace Guardrail

Project Applicant: Caltrans

Project Location—Specific:

In San Diego County, between Serra Mesa & City Heights, along Interstate-15, from Post Mile R5.90 to R6.03.

Project Location—City: San Diego Project Location—County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), using State funds only, is proposing a guardrail replacement and concrete barrier installation project on northbound along Interstate 15 (I-15) from Post Mile R5.90 to R6.03. Project work consists of removal and replacement of guardrail, then installation of a concrete barrier. Vegetation removal is not anticipated.

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: Existing Facilities, Section 15301, Class 1c
- ○ Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The California Department of Transportation has determined the project to be categorically exempt in accordance with section 15301 (Existing Facilities). 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. Caltrans has determined that this project would have negligible or no expansion of existing or former use, and would have no significant effect on the environment.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Koji Tsunoda

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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: Koji Tsunoda Digitally signed by Koji Tsunoda Date: 2025.12.15 15:40:33 -08'00' Date: _____ Title: Senior 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: _____