COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

June 14, 2022

PROJECT TITLE: Bridge Preventative Maintenance Program
Work Order# ZC40066C Z1530

PROJECT SPONSOR: County of Riverside Transportation Department

PROJECT LOCATION: Various locations (see attached project location map)

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT: 4th

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The County of Riverside Transportation Department is proposing to implement maintenance improvements at 19 bridge locations within the County. The proposed project includes 19 bridge locations that are within or adjacent to the cities of Riverside, Corona, San Jacinto, Palm Desert, Beaumont, Perris, and Murrieta and within portions of unincorporated Riverside County including the communities of Thermal, Oasis, and Desert Center. The proposed bridge preventative maintenance work is based on the structural ratings and work recommendation identified in the Caltrans Bridge Inspection Reports (BIRs), and findings and reconciliation of qualified work from various field reviews. The proposed bridge preventative maintenance work, in general, consists of one or a combination of the following activities at each bridge:

- Backfill erosion on abutment embankment slopes and wingwalls.
- Apply a polyester concrete overlay and/or methacrylate seal on the bridge deck to treat concrete cracks.
- Supplement deteriorated timber elements including girders and columns.
- Replace deteriorated timber railings.
- Replace expansion joint seals.
- Epoxy-inject cracks on abutment walls, pier walls, and concrete slopes.
- Repair cracked bridge approaches.
- Repair concrete spalls on bridge elements.

The bridge preventative maintenance work is divided into three categories as follows:

- Category A: Preventative maintenance work that involves some level of ground disturbance. The work in this category includes backfill, excavation, and cast-in-drilled-hole (CIDH) concrete piling by using construction equipment in the channel bed or below the bridge. Four bridges are in this category.

- Category B: Preventative maintenance work that requires no equipment or ground disturbance in the channel or below the bridge. The work will include walking under the bridge and the use of small, portable pumps or equipment that will be placed entirely outside of any areas that are identified as sensitive, such as drainages. No driving or other types of ground-disturbing activities would occur. Six bridges are in this category.
- Category C: Preventative maintenance work that will be done entirely on the bridge deck or paved road approaches. No ground disturbance would occur. Nine bridges are in this category.

No additional right of way or temporary construction easements will be required to implement the proposed maintenance improvements.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

This project is subject to compliance with the Coachella Valley MSHCP and Western Riverside County MSHCP. Pursuant to the each of the referenced MSHCPs, necessary operation and maintenance along existing roadways are considered a covered activity outside/inside of cell criteria area/conservation areas. This project is considered to be an operation and maintenance activity; therefore, it is a covered activity under the Coachella Valley MSHCP and Western Riverside County MSHCP.

Pursuant to the proposed project's Environmental Commitments Record, measures will be implemented as part of the project to avoid impacts.

The County of Riverside Transportation Department has found that the above-described project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), based on the following:

Section 15301 (c) – Existing Facilities – The project proposes to implement maintenance-related improvements at 19 bridges at various locations within the county. The project in its entirety is consistent with Section 15301(c) because it does not create additional traffic lanes and involves no expansion of use of the existing roadway and associated facilities.

Signed: Jan Bulinski

Jan Bulinski, Environmental Project Manager

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DATE: June 2, 2022

TO: Josefina Castillo-Avila, ACR Technician III

FROM: Jan Bulinski, Environmental Project Manager JRB

RE: **Bridge Preventative Maintenance Program** Work Order# ZC40066C Z1530

The County of Riverside Transportation Department is requesting that you post the attached Notice of Exemption per County Implementing Resolution No. 82-213, Division 11, Section 205C.

After posting, please return the document to Mail Stop #2136, Attention: Jan Bulinski. If you have any questions, please contact Jan at jbulinski@rivco.org

Attachment

cc: file

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COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE CLERK & RECORDER

AUTHORIZATION TO BILL
BY JOURNAL VOUCHER

-TO BE FILLED IN BY SUBMITTING AGENCY-
537280-20000-3130500000 ZC40066C Z1530

AUTHORIZATION NUMBER: W.O.# ZC40066C, Task Code#Z1530

AMOUNT: $50.00

DATE: June 14, 2022

AGENCY: County of Riverside Transportation Department

THIS AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER TO ISSUE A VOUCHER FOR PAYMENT OF ALL FILING AND HANDLING FEES FOR THE ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENT(S).

NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS INCLUDED: One (1)

AUTHORIZED BY: Jan Bulinski, Environmental Project Manager

Signature: Jan Bulinski

PRESENTED BY: Jan Bulinski, Environmental Project Manager

-TO BE FILLED IN BY COUNTY CLERK-

ACCEPTED BY:

DATE:

RECEIPT # (S):



Figure 1
Project Vicinity
RCTD Bridge Preventative Maintenance Program