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: I-5, SR 94 Traffic Signal System

Project Applicant: Caltrans, District 11

Project Location - Specific: on the I-5 and SR 94

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

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
A Traffic Signal System Lifecycle reset project on the I-5 and SR 94 in San Diego County. Project work consists of replacing the controller cabinet, traffic signal head, pedestrian pushbutton and signal head, installing cameras and a pull-box, reinstalling communication equipment, and replacing/installing looping.

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: 15301
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
Project 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 use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. Caltrans is replacing pre-existing traffic signal systems for maintenance with negligible expansion of use with the installation of cameras.

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: 1/6/2026 Title: Environmental Scientist

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 1/6/2025

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