

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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From: Public Works Department
Town of Paradise
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Project Title: **SCOTTWOOD ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT**
Project Location: Town of Paradise, Butte County, CA. See attached project location map.
Assessor's Parcel Number(s): Town Rights of Way, Scottwood Road
Project Description: The Town of Paradise within Butte County, California proposes to remove and replace existing 36" corrugated metal pipe culvert in-kind and restore the roadway sections above the pipe at Latitude: 39.739944, Longitude: -121.621989.
Lead Agency: Town of Paradise
Applicant: Town of Paradise, 5555 Skyway, Paradise, CA 95969
Exemption Status: Ministerial [Section 21080(b); 15268];
 Declared Emergency [Section 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)];
 Emergency Project [Section 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)];
 General Rule [Section 15061(b)(3)];
 Categorical Exemption [Section 15301(c), Existing Facilities];
 Approval of Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges [Section 21080(b)(8)(D)];
 Statutory Exemption [Section 15273(a)(4)].

REASONS WHY THIS PROJECT IS EXEMPT OR DOES NOT REQUIRE FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION:

The project is exempt under State CEQA Guidelines [Section 15301(c), Existing Facilities], which states:

The following emergency projects are exempt from the requirements of CEQA.

"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. The types of "existing facilities" itemized below are not intended to be all-inclusive of the types of projects which might fall within Class 1. The key consideration is whether the project involves negligible or no expansion of use. Examples include but are not limited to:

(C) Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety), and other alterations such as the addition of bicycle facilities, including but not limited to bicycle parking, bicycle-share facilities and bicycle lanes, transit improvements such as bus lanes, pedestrian crossings, street trees, and other similar alterations that do not create additional automobile lanes);"

The purpose of the project is to replace in-kind an existing corrugated metal pipe culvert. The project will result in no expansion of use of an existing facility. No further environmental review is necessary for this project.

By 
Marc Mattox, Public Works Director
Town of Paradise

Date 2/11/26