

## Notice of Exemption

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**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**From:** California Department of Transportation-District 8  
464 W. 4th Street  
San Bernardino, CA 92401

Project Title: RIV-10 White Water SRRA

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation- District 8

Project Location - Specific: 08-RIV-10 PM: 24.5/26.4.

Project Location - City: Whitewater, CA      Project Location - County: Riverside

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

This roadside rest area rehabilitation project will upgrade water and wastewater systems for both the westbound (WB) and eastbound (EB) White Water SRRAs, located on Interstate 10 (I-10) at Post Mile (PM) R24.5/26.4 in Riverside County. The rehabilitation will include changing the water supply from the existing water well to a new water meter service and include installation of a 1.5-mile water supply line. The water service will be from Mission Springs Water District (MSWD), and the meter will be located at Haugen-Lehmann Way interchange.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation

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(d).
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project consists of upgrade irrigation systems, highway planting and roadside rehabilitation, erosion control, paving beyond the gore, repair/replace fences and gates, and construct new maintenance vehicle pullouts which falls under Categorical Exemption- Class 1. 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.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Cesar Garcia

Phone number: (909) 472-1699

**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: Cesar Garcia      Date: 2/24/26      Title: Senior Environmental Scientist

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.