

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of San Mateo

From: Caltrans District 4 Office of Maintenance Environmental
111 Grand Ave
Oakland, CA 94612

Project Title: SR-35 Culvert and Slope Failure DO (EA 0V580)

Project Applicant: Caltrans

Project Location - Specific: The project is located on State Route 35 in Daly City, San Mateo County, at post mile 29.08, 0.4 mile north of the SR-35/Route 1 separation.

Project Location - City: Daly City

Project Location - County: San Mateo

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Caltrans proposes repairing a failed culvert and slope on SR-35 in San Mateo County at post mile d29.08. Due to the winter storms, the corrugated metal pipe (CMP) has failed near the top of the slope and has eroded soil from a previous rock slope protection (RSP) repair, resulting in a void in the slope of about 3 feet wide by 10 feet long by 6 feet deep, about 180 cubic feet, largely along and under the damaged CMP. The failures are impacting private property owners directly down slope along Higate Drive, who have had to dig trenches on their property to divert the errant runoff away from their home. The project will apply traffic control systems and temporary slope stabilization, perform clearing and grubbing activities, remove dirt and debris from the slide area, rebuild the slope, replace drainage, install permanent erosion control, install replacement planting, and reinstall right of way (ROW) fence and guardrail.

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: PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15301 Class 1
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 1 Existing Facilities. The project is not anticipated to result in any environmental impacts. The project contains a number of standardized project measures which are employed on most, if not all, Caltrans projects and were not developed in response to any specific environmental impacts resulting from the project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Juliane Smith

Phone number: (510) 926-0426

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: Juliane Smith Date: 3/27/26

Title: Senior Environmental Scientist (NEPA/CEQA Specialist)

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.