

Notice of Exemption

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County of San Luis Obispo
1055 Monterey St
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

From: Caltrans District 5 Office
50 Higuera St
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Project Title: North of the 'Y' on 41 CAPM

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific: SLO 41, PM 45.3-50.434

Project Location - City: Cholame Project Location - County: San Luis Obispo

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project is in San Luis Obispo (SLO) County on Route 41 from 0.8 miles north of the 41/46 Separation to San Luis Obispo/Kern County line. This project proposes to rehabilitate 12.149 lane miles (LM) of flexible Class 2 pavement using Minor Pavement Rehabilitation Capital Preventive Maintenance (CAPM) strategies including but not limited to placing 0.20' Rubberized Hot Mix Asphalt (RHMA) overlay, cold plane 0.15' (in areas where necessary to conform to retaining walls), remove and replace the existing dike, and update guardrail to current standards. Two non-jurisdictional culverts that are in poor condition will be replaced by cut-and-cover method at Postmiles (PM) 48.0 and 49.3. The culvert replacement work will be confined to the paved roadway surface to the maximum extent feasible to minimize soil disturbance. Construction is expected to take place over approximately 82 working days. During construction, full traffic closures with a detour will be required in the daytime, but the road will be reopened to traffic during the evenings. Night work is not proposed. Construction activities will occur entirely within State Right of Way (ROW). No tree removal or significant vegetation removal is proposed as part of the project.

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: Class 1, Section 15301
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is exempt under Class 1 because it involves upgrading, repairing, and maintaining existing Caltrans facilities. The project does not involve expansion of an existing use, will not have a significant effect on the environment, will not impact a scenic or historical resource, and will not have a significant cumulative effect.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Dianna Beck

Phone number: (805) 459-9406

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: Dianna Beck Date: 4/16/26 Title: Senior Environmental Scientist Supervisor

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.