

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of Orange
601 N. Ross Street
Santa Ana, CA 92701

From: Caltrans, District 12
1450 E. 4th Street, Suite 100
Santa Ane, CA 92705

Project Title: T-Mobile, 12-ORA-241-9025-01, Emergency Generator, DARC Proposal #25-05

Project Applicant: Caltrans, District 12

Project Location - Specific: Irvine Lake stealth tower, along SR-241 [PM 34.3]

Project Location - City: Irvine

Project Location - County: Orange

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project is an Airspace Lease in which the Licensee, T-Mobile proposes to install emergency back-up generator at the Irvine Lake stealth tower, along SR-241 in Irvine, CA. Work includes: installing (1) a new 10' x 4' concrete pad, (2) a new Generac 48kW diesel fueled emergency backup generator, (3) an emergency shut down switch, (4) a new portable fire extinguisher with 18 lbs. capacity, (5) an ATS on existing CMU wall, and (6) new conduits from the generator to the automatic transfer switch. The disturbed soil area (DSA) is less than 1 acre. Some work will occur in Caltrans Right of way. No new right of way is anticipated.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans, District 12

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans, District 12

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 15301 (1) (d)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety, unless it is

determined that the damage was substantial and resulted from an environmental hazard such as earthquake, landslide, or flood;

Lead Agency Contact Person: Smita Deshpande Phone number: 657-328-6151

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

Smita Deshpande

Signature: _____ Date: 4/7/2026 Title: Sr. Envirt Planner

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.