

## Notice of Exemption

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**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
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**From:** California Department of Transportation  
500 South Main Street  
Bishop, CA 93514

Project Title: Mojave Dig Outs DDO

Project Applicant: California Dept of Transportation

Project Location - Specific: State Route 14 – Post Mile 15.4-16.8

Project Location - City: Mojave Project Location - County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project will perform emergency pavement repairs on State Route 14 in Kern County near Mojave, between the South Mojave Overhead and Oak Creek Road Overhead. Work includes traffic control, cold planning approximately 0.4 feet of failed pavement, replacing with hot mix asphalt (HMA), and restoring pavement striping to improve roadway safety and ride quality

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: \_\_\_\_\_
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: PRC 21080[b](2); 14 CCR 15269 et seq.)

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project is exempt under CEQA pursuant to Section 15269 (Emergency Projects) because it involves emergency pavement repairs necessary to maintain safe roadway operations on State Route 14. The work is limited to restoring existing pavement

conditions with no expansion of capacity and is required to address deteriorated roadway conditions that pose a risk to the traveling public.

.Lead Agency Contact Person: Stephen Pfeiler Phone number: 760-874-8329

**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: Stephen Pfeiler Date: 4/28/2026 Title: Sr. Env. Scientist (Supervisory)

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.