

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: San Mateo

From: (Public Agency):
San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans)
116 N. Rollins Road, Millbrae, CA 94030

(Address)

Project Title: SamTrans Bus Stop Improvements

Project Applicant: San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans)

Project Location - Specific:

Several bus stops served by SamTrans in San Mateo County, CA

Project Location - City: Multiple Project Location - County: San Mateo

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project would improve existing SamTrans bus stops within San Mateo County through the installation of standard poles, bus bulbs, or boarding islands for adding shelters, ADA accessibility enhancements, signage, and real-time systems information. These improvements would provide supportive amenities to improve rider access, transit usability, and operational efficiency. This project is intended to standardize bus stop quality, improve rider experience, improve operational efficiency and to support transit amenities specifically at priority equity areas and/or heat vulnerable zones.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans)

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans)

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: 21080.25(b)(3)

Reasons why project is exempt:

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.25(a)(11), Transportation Prioritization Projects include, but are not limited to:

(A) "Signal and sign changes"

(B) "the installation of wayside technology and onboard technology" and

(E) "transit stop access and safety improvements, including, but not limited to, the installation of bus shelters, lighting, transit bulbs, and the installation of transit boarding landings and islands."

Pursuant to PRC Section 21080.25(b)(3), Transit Prioritization Projects are statutorily exempt from CEQA. The SamTrans Bus Stop Improvements project is consistent with this description as the project may include features such as the installation of standard pole, bus bulbs or boarding islands for adding shelters, ADA accessibility enhancements, and signage.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Bo Baney Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (650) 508-7792

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: Bo Baney Date: 6/8/2026 Title: Manager, Environmental and Sustainability Planning

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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EXEMPTION STATUS:

Statutory Exemption

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