

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk
County of Humboldt
825 5th Street, 5th Floor
Eureka, CA 95501

From: Caltrans District 1
1656 Union Street
Eureka, CA 95501

Project Title: Southbound Eureka Slough Bridge Emergency Detour

Project Applicant: Caltrans District 1

Project Location - Specific: US Highway 101 in Humboldt County from Post Miles 79.75 to 80.44. Southbound Eureka Slough Bridge and US 101 shoulder and the drainage ditch west of the Southbound Eureka Slough Bridge.

Project Location - City: Eureka

Project Location - County: Humboldt

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the emergency project is to complete immediate safety measures to reduce live load on the left side of the southbound Eureka Slough Bridge. Vehicle traffic will be shifted to the right side of the bridge and bicycle traffic will be detoured off the highway shoulder onto the adjacent Humboldt Bay Trail. Tilt meters will be installed on the bridge.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans District 1

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans District 1

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: 15269(c)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The emergency project is needed to prevent or mitigate an emergency and maintain service essential to public health, safety, and welfare. The project is not long-term.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Felicia Zimmerman Phone number: 707-815-5994

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: *Felicia Zimmerman* Date: 7/1/26 Title: Environmental Coordinator

☒ 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.