

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency) Caltrans District 8
464 West 4th Street
San Bernardino, CA 92401

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County Clerk

County of: San Bernardino

222 West Hospitality Lane

San Bernardino, CA 92415

Project Title: Span-2 Baker to Primm Middle Mile Broadband Network Project

Project Applicant: Arcadian Inc.

Project Location—Specific:

08-SBD-15 PM 136.55/186.238

Project Location—City: Baker/Primm

Project Location—County: San Bernardino

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This project proposes to install approximately 49.68 miles of broadband fiber conduit system along I-15 (starting at post mile [PM] 136.55) in the unincorporated Town of Baker to I-15 PM 186.238 at the California/Nevada state border (near the City of Primm, Nevada).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Arcadian Inc.

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 21080.51

Reasons why project is exempt:

The work proposed under permit 08-25-6-BB-0157 meets the conditions established in the Senate Bill 156 for Statutory Exemption. This permit is a component of the statewide open-access middle-mile broadband network, constructed within 30 feet of right of way, and incorporates measures to address potential environmental impacts.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Kenya Amezcua

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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: Kenya Amezcua

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Date: 2026.07.06 16:06:07 -07'00'

Date: 7/6/2026

Title: Senior Environmental Planner

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: _____