

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: DOT, Caltrans
1656 Union St.
Eureka, CA. 95501

Project Title: Idlewild Salt Bunker Replacement

Project Applicant: DOT, Caltrans

Project Location - Specific: Route 199 at the Idlewild Maintenance Station postmile 28.1

Project Location - County: Del Norte

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of this project is to improve salt storage at the Idlewild Maintenance Facility. The existing salt bunker walls consist of steel I-beams with timber lagging. The short bunker walls are failing to contain materials needed for maintenance. Cracks are present throughout the existing bunker and salt is corroding structural members of the storage barn. This project is needed to improve the salt storage capacity, preserve the structural integrity of the storage barn, and ensure the Idlewild Maintenance Facility is compliant with EPA requirements. Caltrans Maintenance and the travelling public will benefit from this project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: DOT, Caltrans

Exempt Status (**check one**):

- ☒ Common Sense Exemption (14CCR 15061(b)(3));
- ☐ 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: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This is maintenance of an existing facility and wouldn't have a significant impact on the environment or historic properties.

Lead Agency Contact Person: James McIntosh

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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: James McIntosh Date: 7-15-26 Title: Senior Env Scientist

☒ 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.