

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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From: California Department of Transportation- District 3
703 B Street
Marysville, CA 95901

Project Title: Arcadian Interstate 5 & 80 & State Route 51 Middle-Mile Broadband Network Project (Encroachment Permit 03-26-6-BB-0818)

Project Applicant: Arcadian

Project Location - Specific: Interstate 5 (I-5) between post mile (PM) 23.749 and PM 24.199 and PM 24.82 and PM 25.35, on Interstate 80 (I-80) between PM M5.2 and PM M5.36, PM M6.589 and PM M6.644, and PM M8.88 and PM M9.13, and on State Route (SR) 51 and I-80 between PM 8.625 and PM R11.16 in Sacramento County.

Project Location - City: Sacramento Project Location - County: Sacramento

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Arcadian, in coordination with the California Department of Technology and the California Department of Transportation, proposes to install broadband infrastructure consisting of conduit and fiber optic cable along various structures in Sacramento County. Work would occur on I-5 between PM 23.749 and PM 24.199 and PM 24.82 and PM 25.35, on I-80 between PM M5.2 and PM M5.36, PM M6.589 and PM M6.644, and PM M8.88 and PM M9.13, and on SR 51 and I-80 between PM 8.625 and PM R11.16 in Sacramento County. This project is associated with the linear broadband installation approved in Encroachment Permit 03-25-6-BB-0298.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation-District 3

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Arcadian

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: Public Resources Code Section 21080.51

Reasons why project is exempt:

Installation of broadband infrastructure is exempt by statute pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.51.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Dotrik Wilson

Phone number: (530) 821-3054

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: *Dotrik Wilson* Date: 7/29/2026 Title: Branch Chief

☒ 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.