Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Department of Transportation
1976 E. Dr. MLK Jr. Blvd.
Stockton, CA 95205

Project Title: Alpine County SR 89 Fence Project

Project Applicant: Caltrans

Project Location - Specific: ALP-89 PM 15.3/R20.1

Project Location - City: Markleeville Project Location - County: Alpine

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is proposing to remove and replace deteriorated fencing along the northbound side of State Route (SR) 89, spanning from Post Mile (PM) 15.3 to PM R20.1 in Alpine County. The existing fence, consisting of barbed wire (Type BW) and wire mesh (Type WM), will be replaced. As this stretch of SR 89 is a designated scenic route, wooden posts will be maintained to preserve the aesthetic integrity of the area.

The purpose of this project is to remove and replace existing, deteriorated fencing along SR 89 between the cities of Alpine Village and Markleeville, in Alpine County. The fence installation will re-establish the access control and demarcation of the existing State's Right of Way (R/W).

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans

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: 3(e)(PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is Categorically Exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act under Class 3(e) PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300, as the scope of work is a minor improvement to an existing facility. The project is not anticipated to affect any environmentally sensitive resources.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Laura Cook Phone number: (209) 662-2261

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: Laura N. Cook Date: 7/31/2026 Title: Senior Environmental Scientist (Senior)

☒ 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.