Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Department of Transportation
500 South Main Street
Bishop, Ca 93514

Project Title: Sonora Boiler Repair

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation

Project Location - Specific: MNO-395-R93.900/R93.900

Project Location - City: Sonora Junction Project Location - County: Mono

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
The purpose of this project is to make necessary repairs to the boiler located at the Sonora Maintenance Station. The Sonora Maintenance Station boiler needs to be repaired to extend its service life. The boiler serves to heat the maintenance facility.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: California Department of Transportation

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: 15301 Class 1(d)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
The project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption under CEQA Section 15301(d) because the Sonora Maintenance Station boiler needs rehabilitation to meet current standards of public health and safety. The proposed work will be conducted inside the existing facility, and contractor use areas will be contained to paved areas within Caltrans right-of-way, resulting in no expansion of use and no ground disturbance. The project will not impact any known environmental resources. No exceptions to Categorical Exemptions apply.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Kristopher Bason Phone number: 760-784-4056

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: Kristopher Bason Date: 08/03/2026 Title: Senior Environmental Scientist Supervisor

☒ 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.

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