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Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of: _____

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From: (Public Agency): Caltrans District 2
1657 Riverside Drive
Redding, California 96001
(Address)

Project Title: Work Order 15 for the SisTel Broadband Capital Oversight Project

Project Applicant: Siskiyou Telephone Company, California Department of Technology

Project Location - Specific:

State Route 96 (1-HUM-96); post miles 38.15 to R44.979

Project Location - City: Orleans, Somes Bar Project Location - County: Humboldt

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project would support the Middle-Mile Broadband Network project which will install the broadband infrastructure along the State Highway System (SHS) and County/City roads necessary to connect to a third-party operated Last Mile Broadband Network which will bring internet connectivity to homes, businesses, and community institutions.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Siskiyou Telephone Company

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:

Project activities meet the conditions for exemption outlined in Public Resources Code section 21080.51 as amended per Senate Bill (SB) 156.

Lead Agency Contact Person: David DeMar, Branch Chief Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (530) 759-3406

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: _____ Date: 08/07/2026 Title: Branch Chief

▪ 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: _____