CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 04/2022)

Project Information

Project Name: Film Permit

DIST-CO-RTE: 07-LA-210 **PM/PM:** 11.10–18.86

TRACKING Number: 726-6FI-2077 **DEP CE Number:** 202608014

Project Description

Caltrans approves the encroachment permit for Smuggler Films to film a TV commercial. The filming will take place on LA-210 between PM 11.10 and PM 18.86, in the City of La Canada. Activities will include car-to-car driving shots with the camera positioned inside the vehicle and mounted to a locked camera arm, with no articulating movement. Film driving shots of a picture car on a trailer driving with the natural flow of traffic, followed by camera car with continuous CHP escort. Resets and turnarounds at the La Tuna Canyon Avenue off-ramp and the Sunland Avenue off-ramp. No ground disturbance will be necessary. No public utilities will be relocated, and no new right-of-way will be acquired for the project.

Caltrans CEQA Determination (Check one)

☐ **Not Applicable** – Caltrans is not the CEQA Lead Agency

☐ **Not Applicable** – Caltrans has prepared an IS or EIR under CEQA

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the project is:

☐ **Exempt by Statute.** (PRC 21080[b]; 14 CCR 15260 et seq.)

☒ **Categorically Exempt. Class 4 (e)**. (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15304)

- ☐ No exceptions apply that would bar the use of a categorical exemption (PRC 21084 and 14 CCR 15300.2). See the SER Chapter 34 for exceptions.

☐ **Covered by the Common Sense Exemption**. This project does not fall within an exempt class, but it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment (14 CCR 15061[b][3].)

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Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

☐ **Not Applicable**

Caltrans has determined that this project has no significant impacts on the environment as defined by NEPA, and that there are no unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b). See SER Chapter 30 for unusual circumstances. As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under NEPA and is included under the following:

☒ **23 USC 326:** Caltrans has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to 23 USC 326 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated April 18, 2022, executed between FHWA and Caltrans. Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:

☐ **23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)(__)**
☐ **23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)(__)**
☒ **Activity _6_ listed in Appendix A of the MOU between FHWA and Caltrans**

☐ **23 USC 327:** Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under 23 USC 327. The environmental review, consultation, and any other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by Caltrans pursuant to 23 USC 327 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated December 23, 2016 and executed by FHWA and Caltrans.

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Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion (if applicable): N/A
Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: N/A

Briefly list environmental commitments on continuation sheet if needed (i.e., not necessary if included on an attached ECR). Reference additional information, as appropriate (e.g., additional studies and design conditions).

Continuation sheet:

- Please contact the Division of Environmental Planning should there be changes to the project scope.