Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Caltrans District 11
4050 Taylor Street, MS 242
San Diego, CA 92110

Project Title: Culvert Rehab on SD I-5

Project Applicant: Caltrans, District 11

Project Location - Specific: on the I-5 at eight (8) locations spanning from 3.7 miles south of Camino Real undercrossing to 0.1 miles north of Cristianitos Road overcrossing

Project Location - City: San Clemente Project Location - County: San Diego

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
A Culvert Repair Project on the I-5 at eight (8) locations spanning from 3.7 miles south of Camino Real undercrossing to 0.1 miles north of Cristianitos Road overcrossing in San Diego County. Project work consists of repairing 8 culverts via Cured-in-Place-Pipe Liner (CIPP). Equipment includes a vactor truck, CCTV/Cure Truck, and a Service truck.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans, District 11

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans, District 11

Exempt Status:

- ☐ 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
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
Project work consists of the repair and maintenance of existing public structures (culverts), and has no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of Caltrans' determination.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Petra El-Shammas Phone number: 858-472-7328

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: Petra El-Shammas Date: 8/27/26 Title: Environmental Scientist

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 8/27/26

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.