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: I-8 Pavement Rehabilitation, Culverts, & Lighting
Project Applicant: Caltrans, District 11

Project Location - Specific: I-8, from Pine Valley Rd to about a mile south of Buckman Springs Road (PM R43.8-50.1)

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

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
Caltrans proposes a SHOPP asset management project located on I-8 Post Miles (PM) R43.8 to R50.1 in San Diego County. The scope would include: 1) pavement rehabilitation including individual slab replacements; 2) replacement of one drainage system (PM 48.8R), partial replacement of one drainage (PM 44.7), and invert paving rehabilitation of one drainage (PM 44.6); 3) replacement of Metal Beam Guard Rail with Midwest Guardrail at 11 locations; 4) replacement of 14 lighting structures; and 5) update roadway signs in-kind.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans, District 11

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

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
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:
The project consists of the repair of existing facilities including highways, lighting, signs and Midwest Guardrail, as well as restoration of deteriorated drainage facilities. The rehabilitation of these facilities would restore the roadway to a state of good repair so that it requires minimal maintenance.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Leticia Santillana Phone number: (858) 472-7104

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: Leticia Santillana Date: 10/6/2026 Title: Environmental Scientist

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 10/6/2026

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