

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 – Pavement Rehab Northbound Offramp to Via Rancho Parkway on I-15

Project Applicant – Caltrans, District 11

Project Location – Specific: Northbound I-15 Via Rancho Parkway Off-ramp at PM: 26.728

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

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Caltrans proposes Off Ramp Pavement Rehabilitation in the City of Escondido on northbound I-15 Via Rancho Parkway Off-ramp at post mile 26.728. All work is within the existing ramp pavement and no staging location.

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 consists of the repair, maintenance, of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Specifically, Caltrans proposes Caltrans proposes Off Ramp Pavement Rehabilitation in the City of Escondido on northbound I-15 Via Rancho Parkway Off-ramp at post mile 26.728. All work is within the existing ramp pavement and no staging location.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Emery McCaffery Phone number: 858-289-1270

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: *Emery McCaffery* Date: 9/21/2026 Title: Environmental Scientist

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☒ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 9/21/2026

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