

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 Southbound I-5 Offramp to Via De La Valle

Project Applicant – Caltrans, District 11

Project Location – Specific: Southbound I-5 at the off-ramp to Via De La Valle in San Diego, CA

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

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Caltrans proposes ramp pavement rehabilitation by removing 0.2' of existing asphalt and replacing it with 0.2' rubberized asphalt on southbound I-5 at the off-ramp to Via De La Valle in San Diego, CA. Other activities include replacing dike in kind, re-striping, and replacing 16 inductive loop detectors. All work is within the existing ramp pavement limit and there is 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 ramp pavement rehabilitation by removing 0.2' of existing asphalt and replacing it with 0.2' rubberized asphalt on southbound I-5 at the off-ramp to Via De La Valle in San Diego, CA.

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: _____ 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.