

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 – Encampment Deterrent at Camino Del Rio South at Eastbound Collector to Fairmount Avenue

Project Applicant – Caltrans, District 11

Project Location – Specific: At Camino del Rio South at the eastbound I-8 collector to Fairmount Avenue

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

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Caltrans proposes to install approximately 70-feet of chain link fence Type (CL-6) along existing bicycle jughandle at Camino del Rio South at the eastbound I-8 collector to Fairmount Avenue adjacent to I-8. This is an exclusionary measure to discourage the re-establishment of unsheltered individuals. Caltrans proposes to perform encampment deterrent measures to prevent persons experiencing homelessness (PEH)) being established. Project work includes installing 24-36-inch minus rock, brow ditch cleaning, culvert cleaning, vegetation excess growth removal, tree stump removal, and install fencing. All work is within existing Caltrans right-of-way.

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 to install approximately 70-feet of chain link fence Type (CL-6) along existing bicycle jughandle at Camino del Rio South at the eastbound I-8 collector to Fairmount Avenue adjacent to I-8. This is an exclusionary measure to discourage the re-establishment of unsheltered individuals.

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: 9/22/2026 Title: Environmental Scientist

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☒ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 9/22/2026

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