

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Department of Transportation
703 B Street
Marysville, CA 95901

Project Title: Donner Pass Security Fence (EA 03-3J320)

Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation – District 3

Project Location - Specific: Nevada County on Westbound Interstate 80 at post mile (PM) R5.70.

Project Location - City: Unincorporated Project Location - County: Nevada

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes site preparation, remove existing temporary fence, install new security fencing and gates, and incidental work on Interstate 80 in Nevada County at PM R5.70.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans – District 3

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans – District 3

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: Class 1(d), Section 15301 Existing Facilities
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project is exempt under Class 1(d), Section 15301 Existing Facilities as the project proposes to install improved security infrastructure at the Donner Pass Rest Area on Interstate 80 in Nevada County. Additionally, the project does not propose to expand the use of the existing facility.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Jason Ammerman

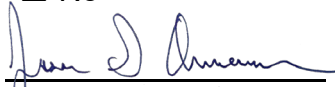
Phone number: (530) 649-6959

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: 9/24/2026 Title: Environmental Scientist

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.