

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk

County of: Kern

1115 Truxtun Ave

Bakersfield, CA 93301

From: (Public Agency): Kern County Public Works

2700 M Street, Suite 400

Bakersfield, CA 93301

(Address)

Project Title: Guardrail Upgrades at Various Locations Throughout Kern County

Project Applicant: Kern County Public Works

Project Location - Specific:

Various locations in Kern County

Project Location - City: Unincorporated areas Project Location - County: Kern

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The work to be performed consists, in general, of paving hot mix asphalt, cold planing asphalt concrete, placing hot mix asphalt dikes, removing existing slope paving, installing Midwest guardrail systems and end terminal systems, installing concrete barrier type 60M, installing crash cushions, installing flume downdrain, rumble strips, constructing curb, gutter, and concrete slope paving.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Kern County Board of Supervisors

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Kern County Public Works

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 Existing Facilities, Sec. 15301(c)
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

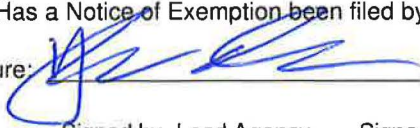
Under the provisions of section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines, the action is categorically exempt from the requirements of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines as it involves maintenance/repair of existing public facilities.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jose Cisneros Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (661) 862-5028

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: 10/6/2026 Title: Public Works Manager

■ Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

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

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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RECEIPT # 15153408

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CEQA

Transmittal Memorandum for 2026

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KERN COUNTY

Attach **one** transmittal memorandum to the front of the original CEQA document. Clip copies in the back.

- 1) If notice requires F&W receipt, you must provide a minimum of 3 copies of the notice.
2) If notice does not require F&W receipt, you must provide a minimum of 2 copies of the notice.

SEP 04 2026

AIMÉE X. ESPINOZA
AUDITOR CONTROLLER-KERN COUNTY CLERK
BY *[Signature]* DEPUTY

TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

LEAD AGENCY Kern County Public Works

PROJECT TITLE CONTRACT NO. 25059 PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR
GUARDRAIL UPGRADES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT KERN COUNTY (All S.D.s)

PROJECT APPLICANT Kern County Public Works

PHONE NUMBER (661) 862-5100

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS: 2700 M Street, Suite 400

CITY Bakersfield STATE CA ZIP CODE 93301

WORK ORDER # _____ ☒ 30-Day Posting ☐ 35-Day Posting ☐ 45-Day Posting ☐ Other _____

CONTACT PERSON Jose Cisneros PHONE NUMBER (661) 862-5028

CHECK DOCUMENT BEING FILED:

- ☐ Notice of Availability.....**FILED**.....No Fee
KERN COUNTY
- ☐ Notice of Intent.....No Fee
- ☐ Notice of Preparation.....No Fee
- ☐ Notice of Public Hearing.....No Fee
- ☐ Other _____.....No Fee
- ☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR).....\$4227.50
☐ Previously paid F&W (**must attach F&W receipt**) F&W Receipt Number# _____
☐ DFG No Effect Determination (**F&W letter must be attached**).....No Fee
☐ County Administrative Fee.....\$50.00
- ☐ Mitigated Negative Declaration or Negative Declaration.....\$3043.75
☐ Previously paid F&W (**must attach F&W receipt**) F&W Receipt Number# _____
☐ DFG No Effect Determination (**F&W letter must be attached**).....No Fee
☐ County Administrative Fee.....\$50.00
- ☒ Notice of Exemption.....No Fee
☒ County Administrative Fee.....\$50.00

TOTAL \$ 50.00

*Additional copies to be returned to: Jose Cisneros, Planner I, Kern County Public Works, Transportation Division

*Method of return: ☐ Hold for pick-up/Call # _____ ☒ Interoffice Mail

PAYMENT METHOD: ALL APPLICABLE FEES MUST BE PAID AT THE TIME OF FILING

- ☒ JV - Ledger Account 6050 Cost Center 1786CC Notice of Exemption 1101SC
☐ Money Order
☐ Check

Posted by County Clerk on 09/04/2026
and for 30 days thereafter, Pursuant to
Section 21152(C), Public Resources Code

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
(CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT OF 1970- CEQA)

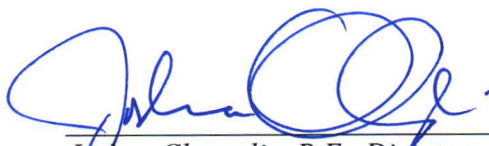
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

SEP 04 2026
AIMEE X. ESPINOZA
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER-COUNTY CLERK
BY  DEPUTY

1. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern has approved the following project in the County of Kern, State of California:
 - a. Department: **Kern County Public Works Department**
 - b. Name of Project: **CONTRACT NO. 25059, PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR GUARDRAIL UPGRADES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT KERN COUNTY (All S.D.s)**
 - c. Street Address/Cross-Street of Project: Various locations in Kern County
 - d. Description of Project: The work to be performed consists, in general, of paving hot mix asphalt, cold planing asphalt concrete, placing hot mix asphalt dikes, removing existing guardrail and object markers, removing existing slope paving, installing Midwest guardrail systems and end terminal systems, installing concrete barrier type 60M, installing crash cushions, install flume down drain, rumble strips, constructing curb, gutter, and concrete slope paving.
2. Board of Supervisors Approval - Summary of Proceedings:

Adoption date: 09/01/26 Item No. CA-12
3. The Board of Supervisors has determined that, under the provisions of section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines, the action is categorically exempt from the requirements of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines concerning the evaluation of projects, further environmental review, and the preparation and review of environmental documents. Therefore, no environmental documents were required for consideration of the action taken.

This Notice of Exemption is filed on September 2, 2026.


Joshua Champlin, P.E., Director
Public Works Department

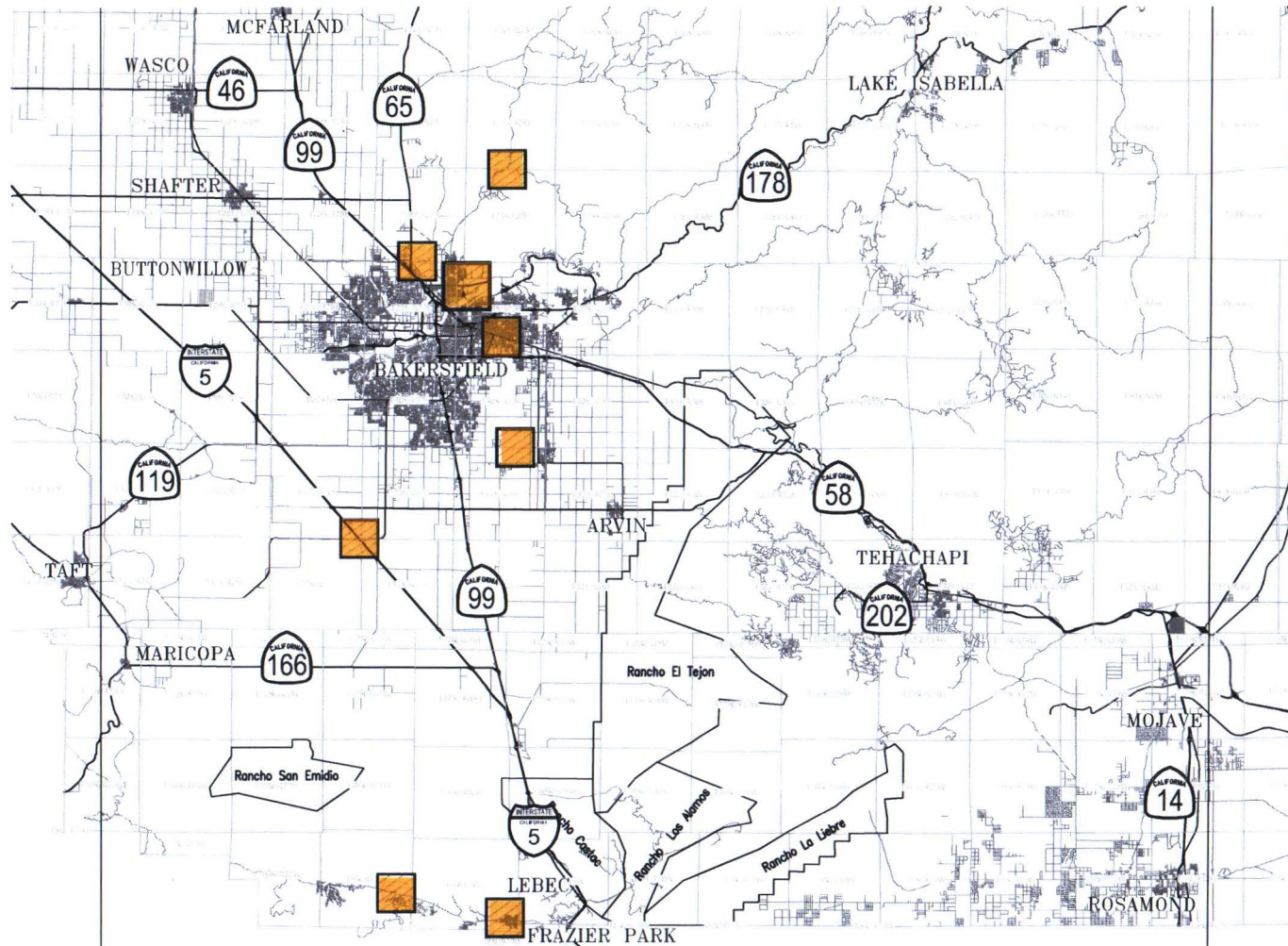
Contact:
Jose Cisneros
(661) 862-5028

Notice of Environmental Document
Posted by County Clerk on 09/04/2026
and for 30 days thereafter, Pursuant to
Section 21152(C), Public Resources Code

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LEGEND

 PROJECT LOCATION

COUNTY OF KERN - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

SCALE IN INCHES	0	1	2	3
CALCULATED- DESIGNED BY	A. NASER	DRAFTED BY	J. AMARO	
CHECKED BY	M. ENSMINGER	DATE DRAFTED	8/17/2026	

GUARDRAIL UPGRADES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT KERN COUNTY

LM-1

SCALE: N.T.S.



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
**2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT**
DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

Print

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RECEIPT NUMBER:

15 — 09042026 — 15153408

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY

KERN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

DATE

9/4/2026

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING

DOCUMENT NUMBER

Kern

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PROJECT TITLE

CONTRACT NO. 25059 PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR GUARDRAIL
UPGRADES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT KERN COUNTY (ALL S.D.S)

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

PHONE NUMBER

KERN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

(661) 862-5100

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

2700 M STREET, SUITE 400

BAKERSFIELD

CA

93301

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency

☐ School District

☐ Other Special District

☐ State Agency

☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

\$4,227.50

\$

0.00

☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)

\$3,043.75

\$

0.00

☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW

\$1,437.25

\$

0.00

☐ Exempt from fee

☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)

☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)

\$850.00

\$

0.00

☒ County documentary handling fee

\$

50.00

☒ Other

\$

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash

☐ Credit

☐ Check

☐ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED

\$

50.00

SIGNATURE

X

M. Vaca Ramos

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

M. VACA RAMOS, KERN COUNTY CLERK, FSS