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 Project on the I-15

Project Applicant: Caltrans, District 11

Project Location - Specific: Northbound I-15 at the Route 76 connector

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

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
A Pavement Rehabilitation Project on Northbound I-15 at the Route 76 connector in San Diego County. Project work consists of cold planing 0.2' of existing asphalt and replacing it with 0.2' of RHMA-G rubberized asphalt, in addition to fog seal coat, re-stripping, refresh marking, and markers.

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 maintenance of an existing public facility or topographical feature, involving expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Petra El-Shammas Phone number: 858-472-7328

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: Petra El-Shammas Date: 10/13/26 Title: Environmental Scientist

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: 10/13/26

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