

ATTACHMENT D

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
MACARTHUR SMART CITY CORRIDOR 1 PROJECT
CITY PROJECT NO. 1003981



**CEQA EXEMPTION / NEPA CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
DETERMINATION FORM (rev. 06/2022)**

Project Information

Project Name (if applicable): MacArthur Smart City Corridor 1 & 2 Project

DIST-CO-RTE: 04-04-ALA-O-OAK **PM/PM:** 45.564/36.152

EA: N/A **Federal-Aid Project Number:** N/A

Project Description

Corridor 1 project extends existing Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) network with fiber cable to 62 traffic signals along 13 miles of MacArthur Boulevard and adjacent roadways. Improvements will enhance mobility for all modes, including queue jump lanes and transit signal priority for bus; pedestrian, bicycle and vehicle detection for enhanced signal performance; curb ramp & sidewalk for pedestrian accessibility; communications for remote traffic operations, monitoring and signal maintenance.

Corridor 2 project limits are on 40th Street from Market Street to Broadway (around 1 mile in length) and West MacArthur Boulevard from Market to Oakland Avenue (around 1 mile in length). This project extends existing ITS network with fiber cable to 20 traffic signals. The proposed improvements include integrated traffic signal and operational improvements, mobility hubs, communication infrastructure and integration, transit enhancements (including relocation of near-side bus stops, queue jump lanes, and transit signal priority for lanes), and pedestrian/bicycle safety improvements.

Caltrans CEQA Determination (Check one)

- Not Applicable** – Caltrans is not the CEQA Lead Agency
- Not Applicable** – Caltrans has prepared an IS or EIR under CEQA

Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the project is:

- Exempt by Statute.** (PRC 21080[b]; 14 CCR 15260 et seq.)
- Categorically Exempt. Class 3.** (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)
 - No exceptions apply that would bar the use of a categorical exemption (PRC 21084 and 14 CCR 15300.2). See the SER Chapter 34 for exceptions.
- Covered by the Common Sense Exemption.** This project does not fall within an exempt class, but it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment (14 CCR 15061[b][3].)

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Signature


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Date

Project Manager

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Date



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Caltrans NEPA Determination (Check one)

Not Applicable

Caltrans has determined that this project has no significant impacts on the environment as defined by NEPA, and that there are no unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b). See SER Chapter 30 for unusual circumstances. As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under NEPA and is included under the following:

23 USC 326: Caltrans has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to 23 USC 326 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated April 18, 2022, executed between FHWA and Caltrans. Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:

23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)(3)

23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)(n/a)

Activity (na/) listed in Appendix A of the MOU between FHWA and Caltrans

23 USC 327: Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, Caltrans has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under 23 USC 327. The environmental review, consultation, and any other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by Caltrans pursuant to 23 USC 327 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated May 27, 2022, and executed by FHWA and Caltrans.

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Date of Categorical Exclusion Checklist completion (if applicable): Enter date
Date of Environmental Commitment Record or equivalent: Enter date

Briefly list environmental commitments on continuation sheet if needed (i.e., not necessary if included on an attached ECR). Reference additional information, as appropriate (e.g., additional studies and design conditions).



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Continuation sheet:

None.