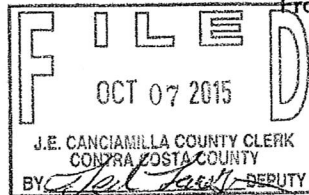


CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Notice of Exemption

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

☒ County Clerk
County of: Contra Costa



From: Contra Costa County
Dept. of Conservation & Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553

Project Title: 2015 Countywide Area of Benefit Update

Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Department

Project Location: West, Central, East County

Project Location: Countywide

Project Location - County: Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The 2015 Countywide Area of Benefit (AOB) update is a fee mechanism, allocating money collected from developers to fund road improvement projects that mitigate traffic impacts generated by new residential, commercial, industrial, and other developments. There are several separate AOBs within the County. The purpose of the AOB update is to make adjustments to the current AOB project list and fee schedule to meet changing traffic mitigation demands and needs within Contra Costa County. The update is needed to ensure that the amount of fees charged accurately reflects the effects of annual inflation for each of the county AOBs and meets the current traffic mitigation needs. This CEQA document addresses the adjustments to the Countywide AOB only. Each roadway project to be covered by the 2015 Countywide Area of Benefit Update will be addressed by individual project-specific CEQA documents.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: **Contra Costa County**

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: **Contra Costa County Public Works Department**

Exempt Status:

- ☐ Ministerial Project (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268;
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☐ Categorical Exemption: _____
☐ Other Statutory Exemption, Code No.: _____
☒ General Rule of Applicability [Article 5, Section 15061 (b)(3)]

Reasons why project is exempt: This activity is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 5, Section 15061 (b) (3) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Lead Agency Contact Person: **Kimani Birden - Public Works Dept.** Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (925) 313-2190

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: [Signature] Date: 7-09-15 Title: Principal Planner

☐ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

I declare that on 10/7/2015 I received and posted this notice as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152(c). Said notice will remain posted for 30 days from the filing date.

Signature: [Signature] Title: Deputy Clerk

Applicant:

Public Works Department
255 Glacier Drive
Martinez, CA 94553
Attn: Kimani Birden
Environmental Services
Division
Phone: (925) 313-2190

Department of Fish and Game Fees

- Due**
- ☐ EIR - \$3,069.⁷⁵
☐ Neg. Dec. - \$2,210.⁰⁰
☐ DeMinimis Findings - \$0
☒ County Clerk - \$50
☒ Conservation & Development - \$25

Total Due: \$ 75.⁰⁰

Total Paid \$ _____

Receipt #: _____