



CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
Notice of Exemption

To: [X] Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95814
From: Contra Costa County
Department of Conservation and Development
30 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553
[X] County Clerk, County of Contra Costa

Project Title: Freeman Road Bridge Painting, WO4012, CP#25-45
Project Applicant: Contra Costa County Public Works Department, 255 Glacier Drive, Martinez CA 94553, (925) 313-2000, Contact: Christian Montoya, (925) 313-2176, christian.montoya@pw.cccounty.us
Project Location: Freeman Road over Las Trampas Creek, approximately 0.1 mile west of Stanley Ct in unincorporated County near the City of Lafayette (APNs: 185-440-013 & 185-250-022).
Lead Agency: Department of Conservation and Development, 30 Muir Road, Martinez, CA 94553
Contact Person: Syd Sotoodeh (925) 655-2877 syd.sotoodeh@dcd.cccounty.us

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The purpose of this project is to clean, paint, and prevent future damage to Freeman Road Bridge (Bridge No. 28C0389). The project is needed to remove rust from the bridge as well as preserve the structural condition and remaining service life of the bridge. The maintenance-preventative work will consist of implementing a lead compliance plan and work area monitoring program if needed, blast cleaning, repainting superstructure steel members, and applying corrosion inhibitor. Additionally, the project will backfill with concrete the gap in the embankment concrete slope paving around two steel columns, remove unsound concrete and clean and paint exposed reinforcing bars with a rust inhibitor along the exterior face of the bridge concrete curbs and deck, and replace pourable deck joint seals at abutments. A working platform with scaffolds and an enclosure system will be required to capture paint removal debris. Minor ground disturbance, bank disturbance, and vegetation removal at the ends of the abutments are needed. Real estate transactions may be necessary. A temporary traffic control plan will be implemented, staging area(s) will be placed away from sensitive areas, and appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be implemented to protect the creek.

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) [X] Categorical Exemption (Sec. 15301[d])
[] Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080[b][3]; 15269[a]) [] General Rule of Applicability (Sec. 15061[b][3])
[] Emergency Project (Sec. 21080[b][4]; 15269[b][c]) [] Other Statutory Exemption (Sec.)

Reason why project is exempt: The proposed project is exempt under CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301(d), regarding minor alterations to an existing bridge structure, including preventative maintenance and repairs. The deteriorated bridge structure did not result from substantial damage due to an environmental hazard and rehabilitation is needed to meet current public health and safety standards.

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: Syd Sotoodeh Title: Senior Planner Date: Jan. 2, 2026

Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development

[X] Signed by Lead Agency [] Signed by Applicant

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Department of Fish and Wildlife Fees Due
[] De Minimis Finding - \$0
[X] County Clerk - \$50
[] Conservation and Development - \$25
Total Due: Receipt #: