

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

CITY OF ANDERSON, 1887 Howard Street, Anderson, CA 96007

TO: X Shasta County Clerk, Attn: Cathy Darling
P.O. Box 990880
Redding, CA 96099-0880

FROM: X City of Anderson
(Lead Agency)
1887 Howard Street
Anderson, CA 96007

DATE OF DETERMINATION: January 5, 2010

SUBJECT: Deschutes Road-Factory Outlets Drive-Interstate 5 Interchange Modifications

PROJECT TITLE: ED 08-18 for the Deschutes Rd-Factory Outlets Drive/I-5 Interchange Modifications

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER: 2008082055

CONTACT PERSON: John Stokes, Planning Director
City of Anderson
1887 Howard Street
Anderson, CA 96007

PROJECT LOCATION: Post Mile (PM) R4.0 to R4.6

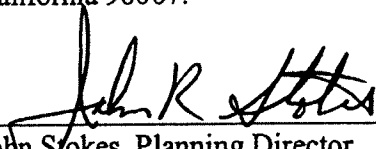
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project includes the construction of a new off-ramp from northbound I-5 to Deschutes Road. Roundabout intersections are proposed for the I-5 southbound ramp intersection with Factory Outlets Drive and at the intersection of Deschutes Road, Locust road and the I-5 northbound on- and off-ramps. Additional roadway improvements are proposed along Factory Outlets Drive between the I-5 southbound off-ramp intersection and the intersection with State Route 273.

This is to advise that the City Council of the City of Anderson has adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration on January 5, 2010 by making the following findings:

1. Environmental Findings:
 - a. An Initial Study has been conducted by the City of Anderson Planning Department, to evaluate the potential for significant adverse environmental affects and there is not substantive evidence in light of the whole record before the City Council that the project as mitigated may have a significant adverse impact on the environment;

- b. A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared and circulated pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The environmental documentation as considered for this project reflects the independent judgment of the approving authority; and
- c. The proposed project is substantially compliant with the Mitigated Negative Declaration ED 08-18 (SCH 2008082055).

This is to certify that the Mitigated Negative Declaration with comments, responses, and record of project approval is available to the General Public at 1887 Howard Street, Anderson, California 96007.



John Stokes, Planning Director
City of Anderson

January 5, 2010
Date

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION/ CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM

02-SHA-05 **R4.0/R4.6** **34760**
Dist.-Co.-Rte. (or Local Agency) P./M/P.M. E.A. (State project) Federal-Aid Project No. (Local project)/ Proj. No.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

(Briefly describe project, purpose, location, limits, right-of-way requirements, and activities involved.)

Enter project description in this box. Use Continuation Sheet, if necessary

The City of Anderson, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), proposes to modify the interchange of Deschutes Road-Factory Outlets Drive and Interstate 5 (I-5) within the City of Anderson, Shasta County, California. The proposed project is located at Post Mile (PM) R4.0 to R4.6. The Project includes the construction of a new off-ramp from northbound I-5 to Deschutes Road. Roundabout intersections are proposed for the I-5 southbound off-ramp intersection with Factory Outlets Drive and at the intersection of Deschutes Road, Locust Road and the I-5 northbound on- and off-ramps. Additional roadway improvements are proposed along Factory Outlets Drive between the I-5 southbound off-ramp intersection and the intersection with State Route 273 (SR 273).

CEQA COMPLIANCE (for State Projects only)

Based on an examination of this proposal, supporting information, and the following statements (See 14 CCR 15300 et seq.):

- If this project falls within exempt class 3, 4, 5, 6 or 11, it does not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted pursuant to law.
- There will not be a significant cumulative effect by this project and successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time.
- There is not a reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.
- This project does not damage a scenic resource within an officially designated state scenic highway.
- This project is not located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Govt. Code § 65962.5 ("Cortese List").
- This project does not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

CALTRANS CEQA DETERMINATION (Check one)

Exempt by Statute. (PRC 21080[b]; 14 CCR 15260 et seq.)

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

Categorically Exempt. Class _____. (PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15300 et seq.)

Categorically Exempt. General Rule 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 (CCR 15061[b][3])]

NA

NA

Print Name: Environmental Branch Chief

Print Name: Project Manager/DLA Engineer

Signature

Date

Signature

Date

NEPA COMPLIANCE

In accordance with 23 CFR 771.117, and based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the State has determined that this project:

- does not individually or cumulatively have a significant impact on the environment as defined by NEPA and is excluded from the requirements to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and
- has considered unusual circumstances pursuant to 23 CFR 771.117(b)
(<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/hep/23cfr771.htm> - sec.771.117).

In non-attainment or maintenance areas for Federal air quality standards, the project is either exempt from all conformity requirements, or conformity analysis has been completed pursuant to 42 USC 7506(c) and 40 CFR 93.

CALTRANS NEPA DETERMINATION (Check one)

Section 6004: The State has been assigned, and hereby certifies that it has carried out, the responsibility to make this determination pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title 23, United States Code, Section 326 and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated June 7, 2007, executed between the FHWA and the State. The State has determined that the project is a Categorical Exclusion under:

- 23 CFR 771.117(c): activity (c)
- 23 CFR 771.117(d): activity (d)
- Activity listed in the MOU between FHWA and the State

Section 6005: Based on an examination of this proposal and supporting information, the State has determined that the project is a CE under Section 6005 of 23 U.S.C. 327.

Tom Balkow

Dave Moore

Print Name: Environmental Branch Chief

Print Name: Project Manager/DLA Engineer

Signature

Date

Signature

Date

Briefly list environmental commitments on continuation sheet. Reference additional information, as appropriate (e.g., air quality studies, documentation of conformity exemption, FHWA conformity determination if Section 6005 project; §106 commitments; §4(f); §7 results; Wetlands Finding; Floodplain Finding; additional studies; and design conditions). Revised September 15, 2008

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION/CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FORM
Continuation Sheet

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Following construction of the new I-5 northbound exit, the existing I-5 exit to SR 273 will be re-designated "Exit 667-A" and the new exit at Deschutes Road will be designated "Exit 667-B."

The proposed project also includes replacing the existing pedestrian crossing along the south side of Deschutes Road and under I-5 with a new 10-foot wide combination bicycle/pedestrian facility through the entire project and construction of retaining walls.

The project is located approximately 0.3 miles south of the Interstate 5 over-crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad tracks. The tracks run in a northwest to southeast direction and are located adjacent to the eastern boundary of the project area (Figure 1.0-2, Proposed Interchange Alignment). The proposed project is located approximately 4.5 miles south of the Redding Municipal Airport and is located outside of the Redding Municipal Airport Plan Area (Blayney-Dyett, Urban and Regional Planners, 1990).

The proposed project will require modifications to the existing Anderson Cottonwood-Irrigation District (ACID) irrigation canal which currently crosses under Factory Outlets Drive-Deschutes Road and I-5. The ACID canal will need to be modified in two locations; (1) at the I-5 crossing of the ACID canal and (2) at the Factory Outlets Drive-Deschutes Road crossing of the ACID canal. The proposed new northbound off-ramp from I-5 will cross over the ACID canal, and will require the extension of the existing concrete box culvert approximately 70 feet to the east. The proposed widening of Factory Outlets Drive-Deschutes Road will require the existing box culvert at this location to be extended approximately five feet to the north. Work at both locations will include removal of the existing outlet wing walls and slab, construction of the new sections of concrete box culvert and construction of new concrete wing walls on the outlet slabs. All construction work on the ACID canal will be coordinated with the seasonal discontinuance of irrigation flow in the canal.