

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

FROM: City of Fresno
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Project Title: Environmental Assessment, P18-02443 (PW00837)

Project Location: California Avenue & Walnut Avenue Intersection

Project Location – City: City of Fresno

Project Location - County: County of Fresno

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: The City of Fresno Department of Public Works proposes making improvements to the intersection of California Avenue and Walnut Avenue. The project will provide new traffic signals; removal of the free right-turn lane to Martin Avenue from westbound California Avenue; small sidewalk construction at the NE corner of the intersection with replacement ADA accessible ramp; the restriping of crosswalks; and a new street light and improved street lighting. The Public Works Department will work with the Fresno Unified School District on obtaining dedications for the roadway along East California Avenue.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Fresno Department of Public Works

Name of Persons or Agency Carrying Out Project: Steve Delsid, PE, Public Works Dept.

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial - PRC § 21080(b)(1); CEQA Guidelines §15268
- Declared Emergency - PRC § 21080(b)(3); CEQA Guidelines §15269(a)
- Emergency Project - PRC § 21080(b)(4); CEQA Guidelines §15269(b) and (c)
- Categorical Exemptions - CEQA §15301/Class 1, §15302 Class 2, §15304/Class 4**
- Statutory Exemption – PRC § _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Section 15301 (Class 1/Existing Facilities) of the CEQA Guidelines exempts from the provisions of CEQA, projects consisting of the minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. Examples include but are not limited to existing facilities of publicly owned utilities and services; highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities.

Section 15302 (Class 2/Replacement or Reconstruction) of the CEQA Guidelines exempts from the provisions of CEQA, projects consisting of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new facilities will be located on the same site as the facility replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the facility replaced. Examples include but are not limited to replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.

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None of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to this project. Furthermore, the proposed project is not expected to have a significant effect on the environment. Accordingly, a categorical exemption, as noted above, has been prepared for the project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Ralph Kachadourian **Telephone No. (559) 621-8172**

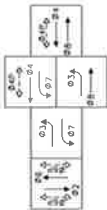
Signature:  _____ **Date:** 11-8-18

Printed Name and Title:
Ralph Kachadourian, Supervising Planner
Development Services Division
Development & Resource Management Department

Signed by Lead Agency **Signed by applicant**

Attachments: Project Intersection Improvement Diagram
Categorical Exemptions Determination

STEADY ROUNDING SEQUENCE



PHASE DIAGRAM
 5 PHASE
 EMERGENCY VEHICLE PREEMPTION

- EVA = 02
- EVB = 04 + 07
- EVC = 06
- EVO = 03 + 08

SCALE 1" = 20'

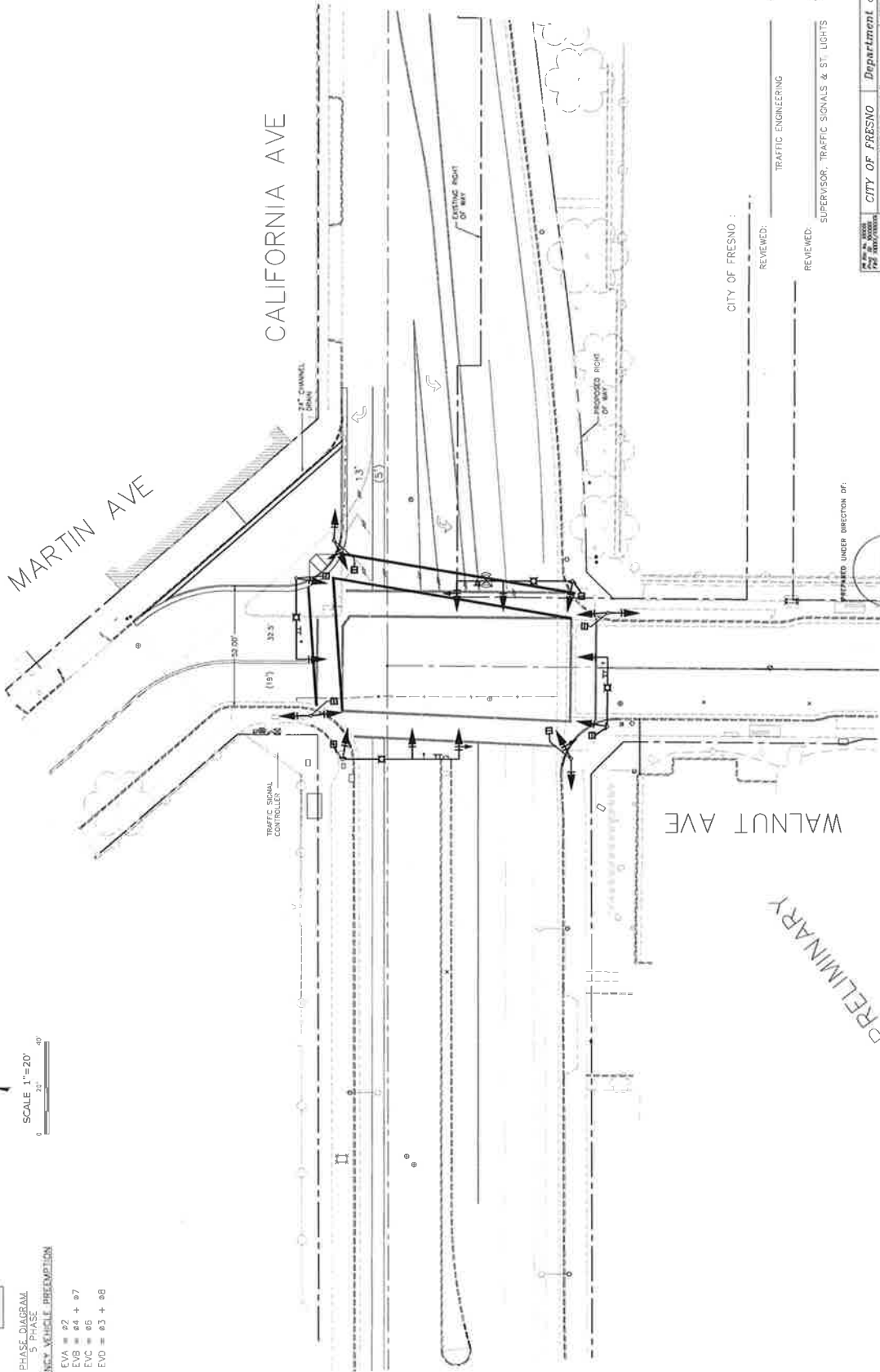


MARTIN AVE

CALIFORNIA AVE

WALNUT AVE

PRELIMINARY



CITY OF FRESNO :

REVIEWED: _____ DATE _____
 SUPERVISOR, TRAFFIC SIGNALS & ST. LIGHTS

PREPARED UNDER DIRECTION OF:



NAME: R. C. E. XXXXX

DATE

PROJECT TITLE	CITY OF FRESNO	Department of Public Works
PROJECT NO.	4-12-XXXX	
DATE		
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**CITY OF FRESNO
CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION
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THE PROJECT DESCRIBED HEREIN IS DETERMINED TO BE CATEGORICALLY
EXEMPT FROM THE PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 19 OF THE STATE CEQA GUIDELINES

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This project is exempt under Sections 15301, 15302 and 15304 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

EXPLANATION:

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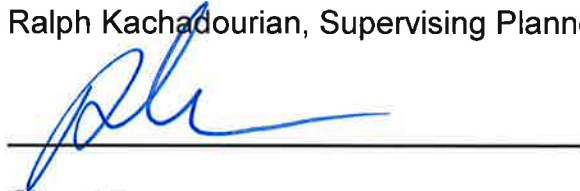
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Date: September 16, 2018

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