

**CITY OF STOCKTON  
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

TO: COUNTY CLERK  
COUNTY OF SAN JOAQUIN  
44 N. San Joaquin Street, Suite 260  
Stockton, CA 95202

FROM: Lead Agency  
City of Stockton  
Economic Development Dept.  
425 N El Dorado Street, #3  
Stockton, CA 95202

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21152(B) AND CALIFORNIA  
CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE 14, SECTION 15062**

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PROJECT DATA

Project Title: Install Left-turn Lane on Thornton Road/Hammer Lane and Lower Sacramento Road/Intersection of  
Thornton Road/Pacific Avenue – Project No. PW1518/CML-5008(156)  
CEQA Exemption File No.: NOE21-20  
Applicant: Public Works Department  
Project Description: The City of Stockton's Public Works Department proposes the improvement of traffic flow at  
three (3) intersections by adding a southbound left-turn lane at Thornton Road/Hammer Lane, a westbound left-  
turn lane on Lower Sacramento Road at Thornton Road/Pacific Avenue junction. The intersections at both Hammer  
Lane and Lower Sacramento Road propose signal retiming, upgrading rams to current ADA standards, and median  
island modifications.

DETERMINATION/FINDING OF EXEMPTION

The above-described activity/project is exempt from the environmental assessment requirements of the California  
Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the following section(s) of the State CEQA Guidelines (California  
Code of Regulations, Title 14):

- The activity is not a "project," as defined in CEQA Guidelines §15378.
- The activity is exempt under the "general rule" at CEQA Guidelines §15061(B)(3).
- The project is "Statutorily Exempt" per CEQA Guidelines §: \_\_\_\_\_.
- The project is "Categorically Exempt" per CEQA Guidelines §:15301(c).

BASIS FOR FINDING OF EXEMPTION

- The activity does not qualify as a project and/or clearly could not have a significant effect on the environment  
and, therefore, CEQA does not apply.
- The activity constitutes a discretionary project under the City's jurisdiction and qualifies as a project which  
has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and, therefore, is exempt from the  
provisions of CEQA under the above-noted statutory or categorical exemption(s).

JODI ALMASSY, INTERIM DIRECTOR  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

May 28, 2020  
(DATE OF PREPARATION)

By *Travis Pazin*  
TRAVIS PAZIN, JUNIOR ENGINEER

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(DATE OF FINAL APPROVAL)

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

I declare that on the date stamped above, I received and posted this notice or included it on a list of such notices  
which was posted as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152(B). Said notice or list of notices  
will remain posted for 35 days from the filing date.

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Signature

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Title

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Posting Period Ending Date