

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Project Title: Lehman Road Culvert Project

Project Location: See attached vicinity map

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries: See attached project description

Public Agency Approving Project: San Joaquin County Public Works Department

Name of Agency Carrying Out Project: San Joaquin County Public Works Department

This is to advise that the San Joaquin County Public Works Department has approved the above described project on 8/18/2025 and has made the determination that the project is exempt due to the following:

Exempt Status (check one):

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080 (b) (1); 15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080 (b) (3); 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080 (B) (4); 15269(b) (c))
- ☒ Categorical Exemption: Existing Facilities (Sec. 15301 (c))
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (Sec. 15282(l))

Reason(s) why project is exempt: The project will reduce the risk of water pooling or flooding the road, restoring functionality and enhancing drainage. No additional vehicle travel lanes will be constructed.

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## **LEHMAN ROAD CULVERT PROJECT**

### **Project Description**

#### **Project Location:**

29280 South Lehman Road, unincorporated San Joaquin County. **See attached Vicinity Map.**

#### **Project Justification:**

Lehman Road has experienced chronic flooding due to a lack of water channels. Stormwater would typically sheet flow across the region and across Lehman Road causing the road to be shut down and flooding concerns for the neighboring home. The new pipe culvert will allow storm water flows to get across Lehman Road and reduce any future flooding issues.

#### **Scope of Work:**

The project will consist of:

1. Installing 3-24" Elliptical Reinforced Concrete Pipe box culvert under Lehman Road.

#### **Environmental Setting:**

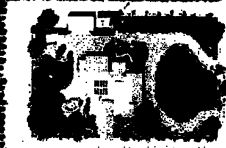
In these portions of the San Joaquin County, land usage is primarily **rural with single family homes.**

**There are many large trees adjacent to the project area.** Nesting and migratory birds, protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, may nest within these trees. Furthermore, the Swainson's Hawk, a raptor species of concern within the State of California and listed as threatened may nest adjacent to or within the project area. A pre-construction survey for nesting Swainson's Hawks and other migratory birds is recommended if construction is scheduled to occur from February 15<sup>th</sup> to September 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **Beneficiaries:**

The public will see a reduction in the risk of water pooling or flooding on roads and nearby properties. The culverts would improve drainage, making Lehman Road safer during and after rain.

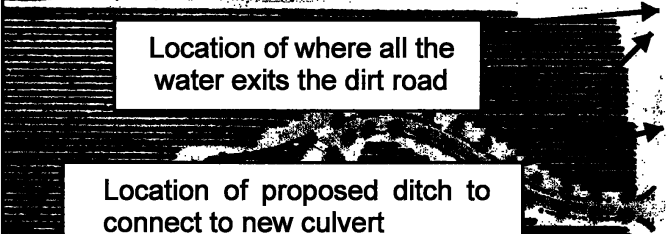
# Lehman Culvert Project



LEHMAN RD



Location of where all the water exits the dirt road



Location of proposed ditch to connect to new culvert



Location of proposed 3-24" elliptical RCP pipe culvert

## Legend:

— Lehman Culvert Project Limits



## Lehman Road Culvert Project

-- VICINITY MAP --

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