

## Memorandum

**To:** CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**CTC Meeting:** March 26, 2015

**Reference No.:** 2.2c.(1)  
Action Item

**From:** NORMA ORTEGA  
Chief Financial Officer

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**Subject:** APPROVAL OF PROJECTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING

### RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolutions E-15-08, E-15-09, E-15-10, E-15-11, and E-15-12.

### ISSUE:

#### 02-Plu-70, PM 14.9

#### RESOLUTION E-15-08

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Negative Declaration (ND) has been completed:

- State Route 70 (SR 70) in Plumas County. Replace existing bridge on SR 70 near the town of Quincy. (PPNO 3208)

This project in Plumas County will replace the existing Yellow Creek Bridge and construct retaining walls, slope protection, guardrails, and other improvements. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). The total estimated cost is \$13,420,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2016-17. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 SHOPP.

A copy of the ND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in no significant impacts to the environment. As a result, an ND was completed for this project.

Attachment 1

**ISSUE:**

**04-Ala-13, PM 4.8/5.0**  
**RESOLUTION E-15-09**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- State Route 13 (SR 13) in Alameda County. Construct roadway improvements and repair storm damage on a portion of SR 13 in the city of Oakland. (PPNO 0140Q)

This project in Alameda County will construct a 14-foot high, 186-foot long retaining wall along a portion of SR 13. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). The total estimated cost is \$9,035,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2015-16. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 SHOPP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment after mitigation. The following resource area may be impacted by the project: biological resources. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, mitigating at a 3:1 ratio for disturbance to California red-legged frog and Alameda whipsnake habitat. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 2

**ISSUE:**

**04-SM-280, PM 9.4**  
**RESOLUTION E-15-10**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Negative Declaration (ND) has been completed:

- Interstate 280 (I-280) in San Mateo County. Construct roadway improvements and repair damage on I-280 near the city of San Carlos. (PPNO 0729Q)

This project in San Mateo County will replace failed corrugated metal pipe with reinforced concrete pipe on a portion of I-280. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). The total estimated cost is \$2,253,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2015-16. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 SHOPP.

A copy of the ND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in no significant impacts to the environment. As a result, an ND was completed for this project.

Attachment 3

**ISSUE:**

**06-Fre-168, PM T29.0/T29.4**  
**RESOLUTION E-15-11**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- State Route 168 (SR 168) in Fresno County. Construct roadway improvements including realigning a portion of SR 168 near the city of Prather. (PPNO 6502)

This project in Fresno County will realign an existing curve on a portion of SR 168. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). The total estimated cost is \$5,186,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2015-16. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 SHOPP.

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Attachment 4

**ISSUE:**

**08-SBd-395, PM 4.2/19.3**  
**RESOLUTION E-15-12**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- United States Route 395 (US 395) in San Bernardino County. Construct roadway improvements including widening a portion of U.S. 395 in the cities of Adelanto, Hesperia, and Victorville. (PPNO 0260J)

This project in San Bernardino County will construct operational efficiencies on US 395 from 0.16 mile north of the junction of US 395 and I-15 in the city of Hesperia to approximately 1.80 miles south of Desert Flower Road in the city of Adelanto. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Transportation Improvement Program. The total estimated cost is \$55,191,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2016-17. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 State Transportation Improvement Program.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment after mitigation. The following resource areas may be impacted by the project: biological resources and noise. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, mitigating at a 3:1 ratio for disturbance to desert tortoise and Mohave ground squirrel habitat, and construction of two sound walls within the project area. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 5

# ATTACHMENT 1



Yellow Creek Bridge Replacement Project  
Project Vicinity Map

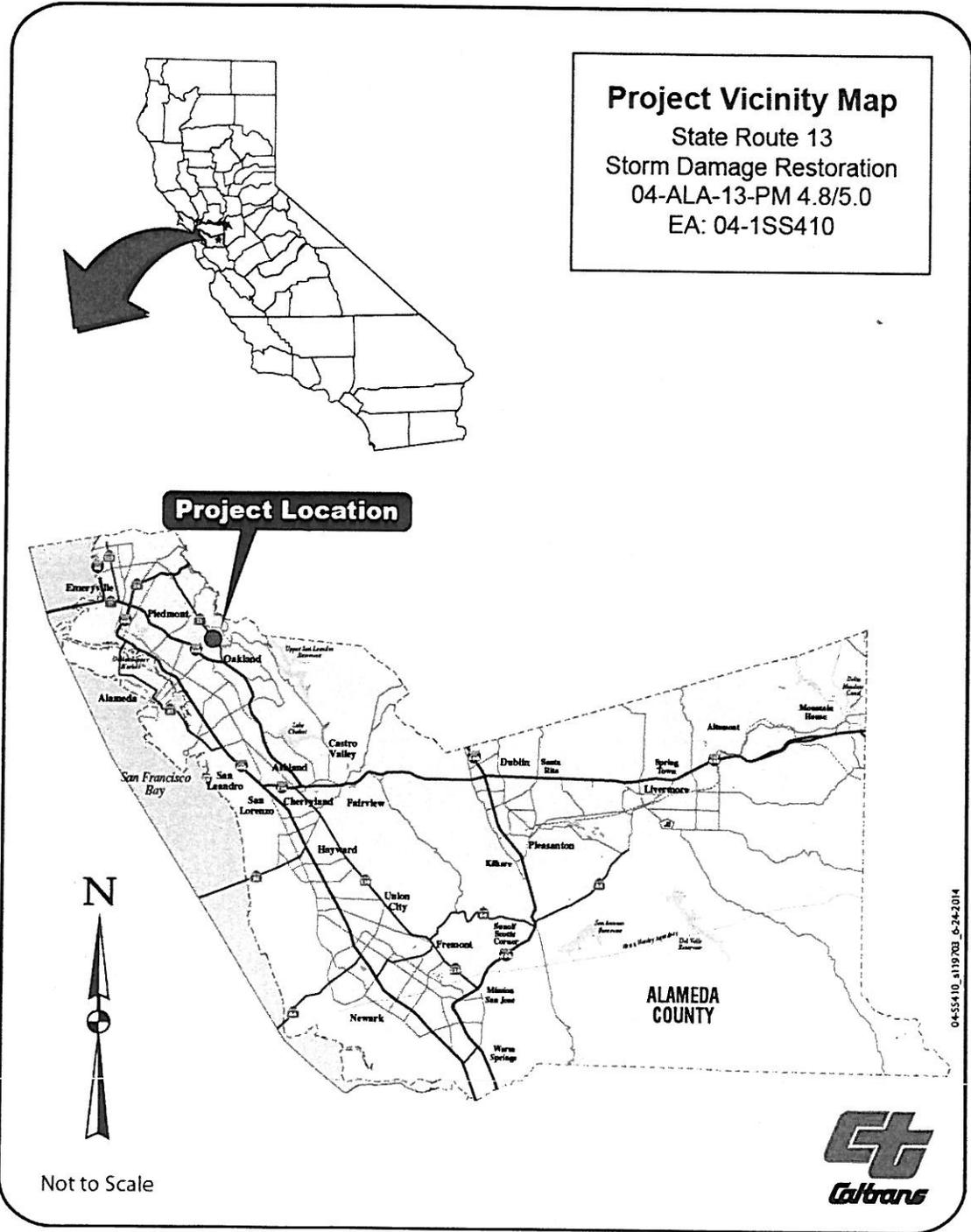
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**Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding  
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- 1.2** **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3** **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Negative Declaration; and
- 1.4** **WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
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# ATTACHMENT 2

FIGURE 1: PROJECT VICINITY MAP



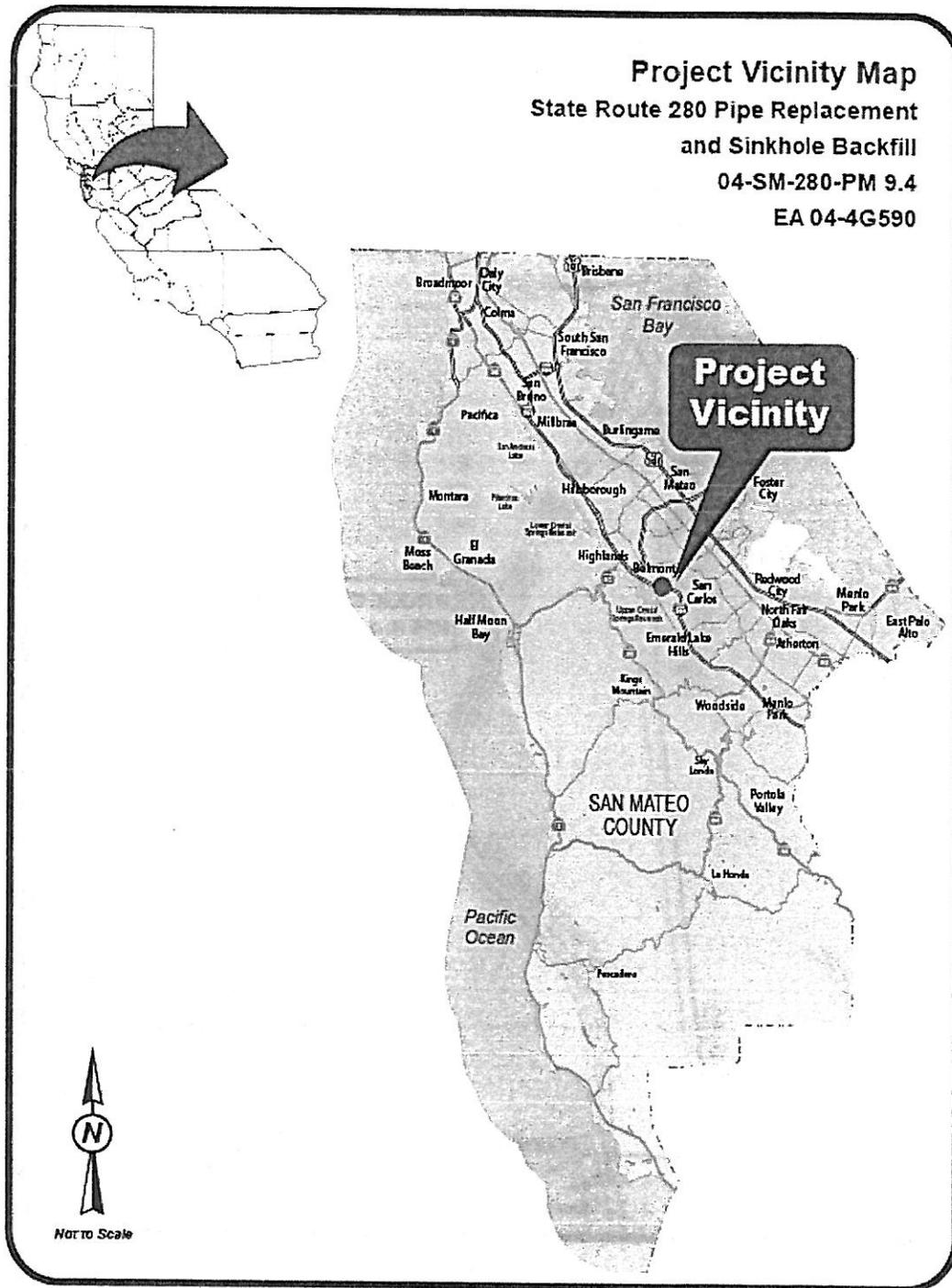
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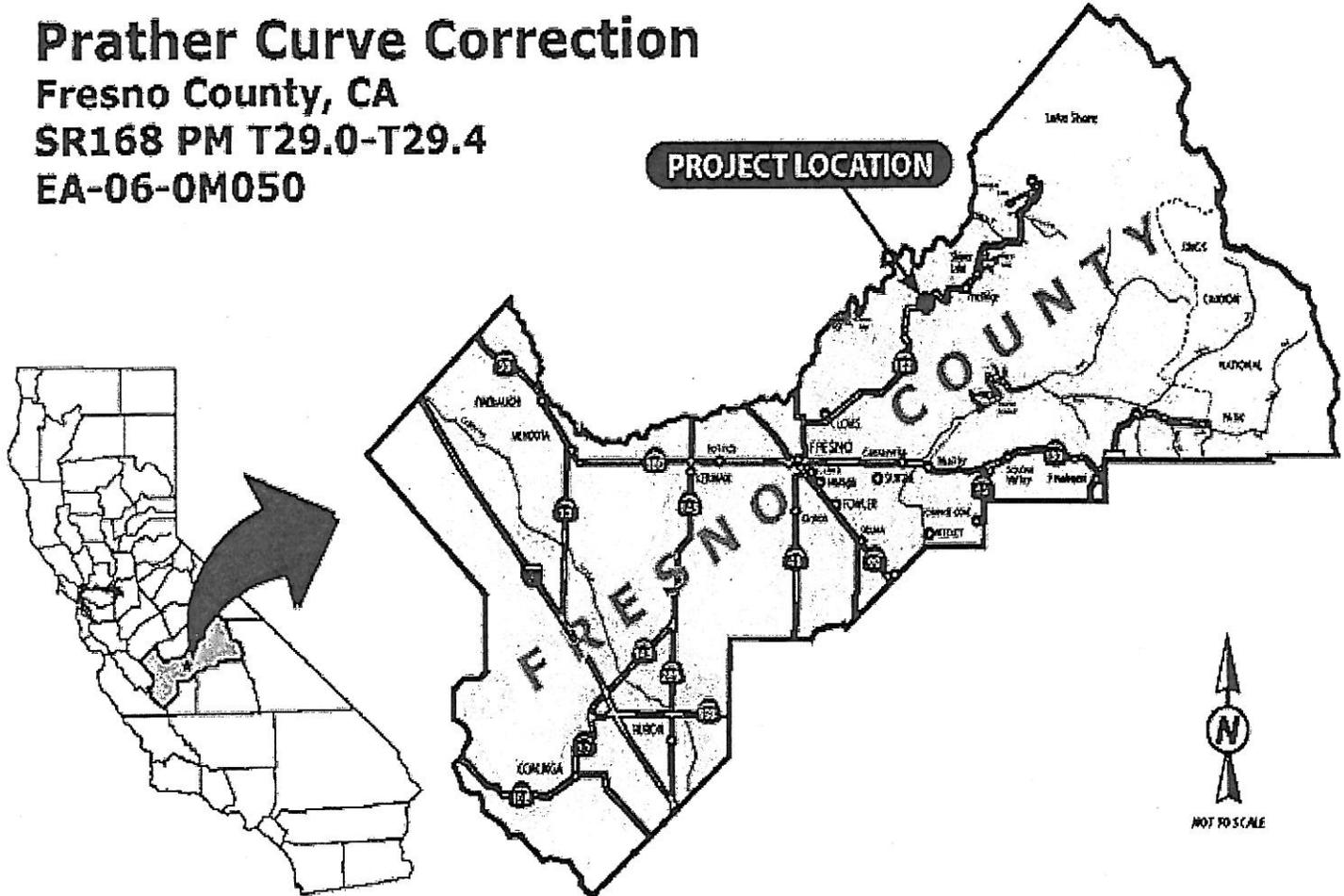
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**Prather Curve Correction**  
**Fresno County, CA**  
**SR168 PM T29.0-T29.4**  
**EA-06-0M050**



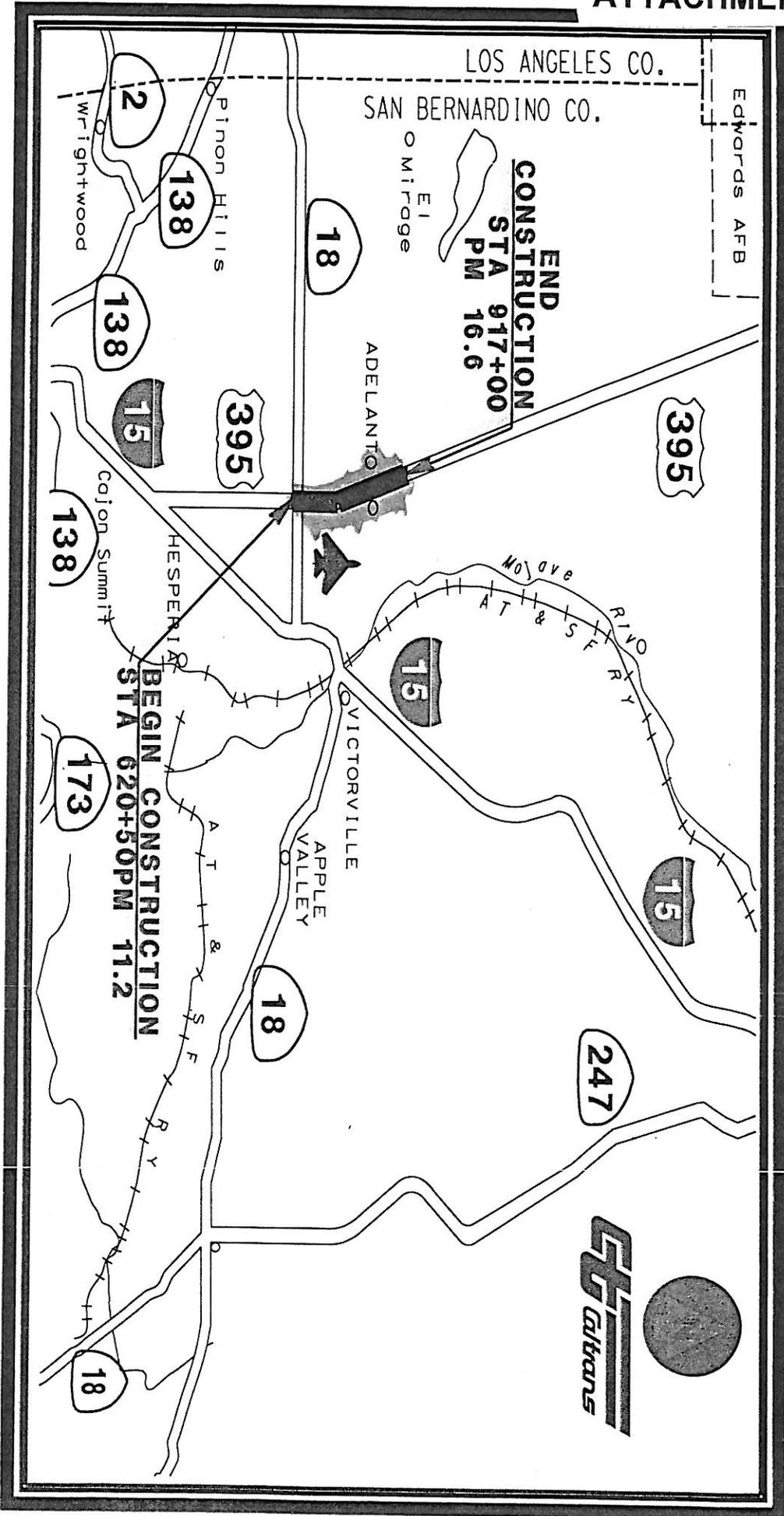
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# EA:OF631-RTE 395



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