BLANKET APPROVAL OF COST EFFECTIVENESS/PUBLIC INTEREST FINDING

COST EFFECTIVENESS DETERMINATION REQUIRED

☐ Experimental Contracting methods (23 CFR 635.204)
☐ Informal Bid (Less than three week advertisement) (23 CFR 635.112)
☐ Use of force account (day labor) (23 CFR 635.204)
☐ Use of publicly owned equipment (23 CFR 635.106)
☐ Other: Department-Furnished Expenses

PUBLIC INTEREST DETERMINATION REQUIRED

☐ Use of State-furnished materials (23 CFR 635.407)
☐ Mandatory use of borrow/disposal sites (23 CFR 635.407)
☐ Use of patented and proprietary materials (23 CFR 635.411)
☐ Waiver to Buy America Requirements (23 CFR 635.416)
☐ Other:

FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO.  CLASS OF FEDERAL FUNDS:  IM  NH  STP  OTHER:

EA  DIST-CO-RTE-FM

ESTIMATED COST  FEDERAL FUNDS

Blanket approval  Statewide

GENERAL LOCATION
Statewide blanket approval for water service connection done by utility company only.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF WORK:
To furnish water service connection in construction area, where available within project limits, for planting and maintaining existing plants.

REASONS THAT REQUESTED APPROVAL IS CONSIDERED TO BE COST EFFECTIVE OR IN THE PUBLIC’S BEST INTEREST (STATE):

This is under public utility according to Code of Federal Regulations, 23 CFR 635.205(b); and many requests were being processed annually on a project-by-project basis. This blanket approval is necessary to alleviate the high volume of PIF for water connection for planting and maintaining existing plants.

No Cost Effectiveness Finding may be required because the above code explained that, "adjustment of utility facilities shall include minor work on the utility’s existing facilities routinely performed by the utility with its own forces and includes minor installations of new facilities to provide power, minor lighting, telephone, water and similar utility service to a rest area, weigh-station, movable bridge, or other highway appurtenance ...."

Caltrans needs this service anywhere water connection is needed statewide.

This Blanket Approval will expire in five years from the date of FHWA’s Approval.

SUBMITTED BY CALTRANS OFFICE OF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING (OCOE) LOCAL AGENCY (LA)

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NOTE: FHWA'S SIGNATURE NOT REQUIRED FOR STATE AUTHORIZED PROJECTS, EXCEPT FOR "BUY AMERICA" (SEP-14).

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