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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 308116

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE MAY 0 2 2013

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT THE APPROVAL OF THE SORRENTO VALLEY ROAD AND INTERSTATE 5 INTERCHANGE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERNIG IS STATUTORILY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT CEQA GUIDELINE SECTION 15262 FOR FEASIBILITY AND PLANNING STUDIES.

WHEREAS, the City in cooperation with Caltrans is studying alternatives to improve the Sorrento Valley Road and Interstate 5 interchange to address traffic congestion in the Sorrento Valley area; and

WHEREAS, this action would seek additional federal grant funds to enable the City's engineering consultant to consider the effects of a proposed project to relocate a rail station within the study area on project alternatives being considered; and

WHEREAS, the California State Legislature, through the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code sections 21000-21177, has determined that CEQA does not apply to various types of projects listed therein; and

WHEREAS, CEQA section 21084 states that the CEQA Guidelines shall list those classes of projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which shall be exempt from CEQA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that authority, CEQA Guidelines sections 15260-15285 list the statutory exemptions promulgated by the California State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of San Diego has considered the potential environmental effects of the Sorrento Valley Road and Interstate 5 Interchange, and

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WHEREAS, the Council of the City of San Diego, using its independent judgment, has

determined that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment as this action

would secure funds for further environmental analysis and not commit the City to any future

course of action; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sorrento Valley Road and Interstate 5 Interchange is

statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15262, Feasibility and

Planning Studies.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By

Deputy City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of

San Diego, at this meeting of APR 23 2013.

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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