

Appendix C

Exempt Project Types

Section 93.126 Table 2.--Exempt Projects

Safety

1. Railroad/highway crossing.
2. Hazard elimination program.
3. Safer non-Federal-aid system roads.
4. Shoulder improvements.
5. Increasing sight distance.
6. Safety improvement program.
7. Traffic control devices and operating assistance other than signalization projects.
8. Railroad/highway crossing warning devices.
9. Guardrails, median barriers, crash cushions.
10. Pavement resurfacing and/or rehabilitation.
11. Pavement marking demonstration.
12. Emergency relief (23 U.S.C. 125).
13. Fencing.
14. Skid treatments.
15. Safety roadside rest areas.
16. Adding medians.
17. Truck climbing lanes outside the urbanized area.
18. Lighting improvements.
19. Widening narrow pavements or reconstructing bridges (no additional travel lanes).
20. Emergency truck pullovers.

Mass Transit

21. Operating assistance to transit agencies.
22. Purchase of support vehicles.
23. Rehabilitation of transit vehicles¹.
24. Purchase of office, shop, and operating equipment for existing facilities.
25. Purchase of operating equipment for vehicles (e.g., radios, fareboxes, lifts, etc.).
26. Construction or renovation of power, signal, and communications systems.
27. Construction of small passenger shelters and information kiosks.
28. Reconstruction or renovation of transit buildings and structures (e.g., rail or bus buildings, storage and maintenance facilities, stations, terminals, and ancillary structures).
29. Rehabilitation or reconstruction of track structures, track, and trackbed in existing rights-of-way.

30. Purchase of new buses and rail cars to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansions of the fleet¹.
31. Construction of new bus or rail storage/maintenance facilities categorically excluded in 23 CFR part 771.

Air Quality

32. Continuation of ride sharing and vanpooling promotion activities at current levels.
33. Bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Other

34. Specific activities which do not involve or lead directly to construction, such as:
 - a. Planning and technical studies.
 - b. Grants for training and research programs.
 - c. Planning activities conducted pursuant to titles 23 and 49 U.S.C.
 - d. Federal-aid systems revisions.
35. Engineering to assess social, economic, and environmental effects of the proposed action or alternatives to that action.
36. Noise attenuation.
37. Emergency or hardship advance land acquisitions (23 CFR 712.204(d)).
38. Acquisition of scenic easements.
39. Plantings, landscaping, etc.
40. Sign removal.
41. Directional and informational signs.
42. Transportation enhancement activities (except rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures, or facilities).
43. Repair of damage caused by natural disasters, civil unrest, or terrorist acts, except projects involving substantial functional, locational or capacity changes.

Section 93.127 Table 3.--Projects Exempt From Regional Emissions Analyses

1. Intersection channelization projects.
2. Intersection signalization projects at individual intersections.
3. Interchange reconfiguration projects.
4. Changes in vertical and horizontal alignment.
5. Truck size and weight inspection stations.
6. Bus terminals and transfer points.

Section 93.128 provides a temporary exemption for traffic signal synchronization projects. These projects are allowed to proceed to implementation without being included in the regional emissions analysis for conformity. They are to be included in the subsequent regional emissions analysis.