

# Notice of Determination

<b>To:</b> Office of Planning and Research P.O. BOX 3044 1400 Tenth Street, Room 222 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	<b>From:</b> Riverside County Transportation Commission 4080 Lemon Street Riverside, CA 92501  <b>Lead Agency:</b> Caltrans District 8 464 W. 4th Street San Bernardino, CA 92401
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Clerk, County of Riverside 2724 Gateway Drive Riverside, CA 92507	CDFG Filing Fee not required since it was previously paid. No additional fee needed.

**Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.**

<b>Project Name:</b>	State Route 91 Corridor Improvement Project	<b>Applicant:</b>	Riverside County Transportation Commission
<b>State Clearinghouse Number</b>	<b>Lead Agency Contact Person</b>	<b>Area Code/Telephone/Extension</b>	
SCH#: 2008071075	Shawn Oriaz	(909) 388-7034	
<b>Project Location (include county):</b>	Intersection of Interstate 15 and State Route 91 in Riverside County		
<p><b>Project Description:</b> The State Route 91 Corridor Improvement Project (Project) includes capacity, operational, and safety improvements on SR-91 and Interstate 15 (I-15). The Project was analyzed in an environmental impact report / environmental impact statement (EIR/EIS) that was certified in August 2012.</p> <p>The Project remains consistent with the EIR/EIS, except for the following design changes to the Express Lanes Connector (ELC) component of the Project:</p> <p><b><u>Separated Connectors</u></b></p> <p>The design of the I-15 south-to-SR-91 west and the SR-91 east-to-I-15 north connectors was changed so each of the connectors would have an independent alignment. The design changes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The south-to-west connector would connect approximately 45 feet higher to the existing (constructed as part of the Initial Phase) 15/91 ELC (Bridge No. 56-0817F). The previous design was approximately 45 feet lower and connected to the existing Temescal Wash bridge. The profile of this connector is now approximately 30 feet over the existing north-to-west connector bridge. The previous design was approximately 15 feet below the existing north-to-west connector bridge.</li> <li>• The east-to-north connector profile generally follows the profile analyzed in the Final EIR/EIS; however, the connector bridge has been shortened from one large bridge to three shorter bridge segments by implementing 30-foot-high retaining wall structures with fill material below the roadway instead of the roadway being placed on more costly bridge structures.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Barrier Separation</u></b></p> <p>To make room for the additional buffer required for the toll facility and to provide standard shoulder widths along EB SR-91, the Main Street EB on-ramp is proposed to be realigned approximately 8 feet farther south. Also, as a result, the buffer width between EB and WB SR-91 would be shortened by approximately 7 feet.</p> <p><b><u>Toll Lane Improvements</u></b></p> <p>An additional toll lane would be added on I-15 that extends north of the Hidden Valley Parkway interchange. To accommodate this additional toll lane, the existing NB off-ramp and existing NB on-ramp for the Hidden Valley</p>			

Parkway interchange would be realigned to the east.

**Soundwall**

As part of design development, one soundwall (SW2192) required minor changes from what was presented in the Final EIR/EIS. This soundwall, described below, would not affect the outcome decision made in the Final EIR/EIS and would still be considered reasonable and feasible.

Soundwall SW 2192 would be approximately 90 feet long and located within private property in the northeast quadrant of the I-15/SR-91 interchange. Two easements would be required; a temporary construction easement (TCE) that would be 161 feet long and roughly 15 feet wide, and a footing easement that would be 110 feet long and 5 feet wide to protect the footing in perpetuity to ensure no one structurally damages the wall. Soundwall SW2192 would be a combination transparent/masonry-block wall.

Caltrans prepared an Addendum to the EIR/EIS analyzing the above changes and adopted the Addendum and approved the changes in June 2019.

This is to advise that the responsible agency **Riverside County Transportation Commission** approved the above described project modifications on **July 10, 2019**, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. Caltrans is the Lead Agency and the Riverside County Transportation Commission is a Responsible Agency.
2. The proposed modifications to the original project described and certified in the EIR/EIS will result in no new significant adverse effects or substantially increase the severity of significant effects previously identified. Thus, the current proposed project modifications meet all the conditions for an Addendum.
3. An Addendum to the EIR/EIS was prepared for this project by Caltrans consistent with the provisions of CEQA and reflects the independent judgment of Caltrans.
4. The mitigation measures that were made a condition of approval of the original project analyzed in the EIR/EIS will remain in effect.
5. CEQA Findings of Fact and a Statement of Overriding Considerations were made a condition of approval of the original project analyzed in the EIR/EIS. No changes to these CEQA Findings of Fact or Statement of Overriding Considerations are required as a result of the proposed project modifications evaluated in the Addendum to the EIR/EIS.

This is to certify that the **Addendum to the EIR/EIS** and record of project approval may be examined at Caltrans's Offices at 464 W. 4th Street, San Bernardino, CA 92401. A copy of the Addendum to the EIR/EIS is also available at <https://www.rctc.org/projects/15-91-express-lanes-connector/>

To access, please copy the above link into your browser.

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

JUL 16 2019

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

  
David K. Thomas, P.E.  
Toll Project Manager  
Riverside County Transportation Commission

July 10, 2019  
Date



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STATE OF CALIFORNIA - THE RESOURCES AGENCY  
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

Receipt #: 201200543

State Clearinghouse # (if applicable): 2008071075

Lead Agency: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION D8 Date: 08/17/2012

County Agency of Filing: Riverside Document No: 201200543

Project Title: STATE ROUTE 91 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT(SR-91 CIP)

Project Applicant Name: RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION Phone Number: 909-3832841

Project Applicant Address: 464 WEST 4TH STREET, 6TH FLOOR, MS 1162 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92401

Project Applicant: Local Public Agency

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report	2919.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Negative Declaration	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Application Fee Water Diversion (State Water Resources Control Board Only)	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Project Subject to Certified Regulatory Programs	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Administration Fee	\$64.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Project that is exempt from fees (DFG No Effect Determination (Form Attached))	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Project that is exempt from fees (Notice of Exemption)	_____
<b>Total Received</b>	<b>2983.00</b>

Signature and title of person receiving payment: P. K. [Signature]

Notes: Big fee of \$2,919 previously paid on receipt #424193 to State of CA De

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**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

To:  Office of Planning and Research  
For U.S. Mail: P.O. Box 3044  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street, Rm 113  
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Public Agency: California Department of Transportation D8  
Address: 464 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, MS 1162  
San Bernardino County, California, 92401-1400  
Contact: Aaron Burton, Sr. Environmental Planner  
Phone: (909) 383-2841

County Clerk  
County of: Riverside County, 2720 Gateway Dr.  
Address: Riverside, CA 92507  
Orange County, 12 Civic Center Plaza, Rm 101  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Lead Agency (if different from above): N/A  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: *Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.*

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State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2008071075

AUG 17 2012

Project Title: State Route 91 Corridor Improvement Project (SR-91 CIP)

LARRY W. WARD, CLERK

Project Applicant: Riverside County Transportation Commission

By B. Kennemer B. Kennemer  
Deputy

Project Location (include county): SR-91 between State Route 241 (SR-241) in Orange County and Pierce Street in Riverside County, and Interstate 15 (I-15) from approximately Hidden Valley Parkway to Cajalco Road in Riverside County.

Project Description: The SR-91 CIP proposes capacity, operational, and safety improvements on SR-91 and I-15. The project would widen existing SR-91 from the SR-91/SR-241 interchange in the cities of Anaheim and Yorba Linda in Orange County to Pierce Street in the City of Riverside in Riverside County. The project also includes improvements to I-15 in Riverside County between the I-15/Cajalco Road interchange in the City of Corona and the I-15/Hidden Valley Parkway interchange in the City of Corona.

This is to advise that the California Department of Transportation has approved the above described project on  Lead Agency or  Responsible Agency

August 10, 2012 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:  
(Date)

- 1. The project  will  will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2.  An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 3. Mitigation measures  were  were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan  was  was not] adopted for this project.
- 5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations  was  was not] adopted for this project.
- 6. Findings  were  were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the general public at:

California Department of Transportation, 464 W Fourth Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, MS 1162, San Bernardino, CA 92401-1400  
Also available at <http://www.sr91project.info/index.php>.

Signature (Public Agency): [Signature]  
Date: 8-10-2012

Title: Branch Chief  
Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY CLERK  
Declaration/Notice Determination  
Filed per P.R.C. 21152  
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Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code  
Reference Sections 21000-21175, Public Resources Code  
Secretary's Office of Planning & Research

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By \_\_\_\_\_ Dept.  
County of Riverside, State of California



ELC-LOT 0153

DATE:  
7/11/2019

CONTRACT NO.  
DB Contract No. 19-31-074-00

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

COMPANY TO:  
Office of Planning and Research

COMPANY FROM:  
RCTC

ATTENTION:  
Office of Planning and Research

FROM:  
David Thomas

ADDRESS  
P.O. BOX 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

REFERENCE:  
Express Lanes Connector (ELC) Notice of Determination

We Are Sending You Via :  U.S. Mail  Email  Fed-Ex  Hand Delivery  Pick-Up  Electronic

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- Notice of Determination

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- Approved as Noted
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- No Exceptions Taken
- Revise and Resubmit
- Rejected

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REMARKS:

Please acknowledge receipt by returning a copy of the Notice of Determination with a time stamp to the following address:

Attn: David Thomas

Riverside County Transportation Commission  
P.O. Box 12008, Riverside, CA 92502-2208

RCTC: David K. Thomas  
David Thomas

*mailed CMT*  
Governor's Office of Planning & Research

JUL 16 2019

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