

## Notice of Intent (NOI) to Adopt a Supplemental Mitigated Negative Declaration

Date	November 22, 2019
То	Office of Planning and Research
	Alameda County Clerk
Project Title	Iron Horse Trail Dublin Blvd Overcrossing Project
Project Location	The project site is located at the intersection of Dublin Boulevard and Scarlett Drive in the City of Dublin, CA in Alameda County, where the Iron Horse Trail runs from northwest to southeast and intersects Dublin Boulevard.
Project Applicant	City of Dublin
<b>Public Review Period</b>	November 25, 2019 to December 16, 2019
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In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code §21000 et seq.), the CEQA Guidelines (Title 14 Code of Regulations Section 15000 et seq.), and the Dublin CEQA Guidelines & Procedures, the City as Lead Agency prepared an Initial Study for the above-named project to determine if supplemental environmental review is required for the Project under Public Resources Code section 21166 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15162. Prior CEQA environmental analysis has been approved for the Dublin Crossing Specific Plan (SCH #2012062009) certified in 2013 which included the Iron Horse Trail Overcrossing as a mitigation measure. The City has determined that the Dublin Crossing Specific Plan EIR adequately addresses the potential environmental impacts for the project with the supplemental analyses set forth in this IS/SMND.

This Supplemental MND will be circulated for public review for 20 days in accordance with CEQA requirements. A 20-day public review is appropriate since the proposed Overcrossing Project does not meet any of the criteria set forth for Projects of Statewide, Regional, or Areawide Significance set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15026.

The Dublin Crossing Specific Plan EIR is incorporated herein by reference is available for public review during normal business hours in the Community Development Department, Dublin City Hall, 100 Civic Plaza, Dublin CA.

## **Project Description**

The proposed project is a free-span bridge crossing for the Iron Horse Regional Trail over Dublin Boulevard within the City of Dublin. Currently, the trail runs from northwest to southeast as it approaches Dublin Boulevard, which is a heavily travelled east-west roadway. The existing atgrade trail crossing of Dublin Boulevard is skewed and requires awkward movement for trail users attempting to cross Dublin Boulevard. Trail users approaching Dublin Boulevard from the southeast are currently required to turn left and use the sidewalk along the south side of Dublin Boulevard for approximately 200 feet, cross the street at the existing Scarlett Drive signalized intersection, and then turn right and use the sidewalk along the north side of Dublin Boulevard for approximately 100 feet to get back to the trail.

The primary objective of the Iron Horse Trail Dublin Boulevard Overcrossing Project is to provide a safe crossing for trail users and facilitate improved traffic flow along Dublin Boulevard by providing a grade-separated bridge crossing over Dublin Boulevard for pedestrians and bicyclists. Construction of the proposed bridge crossing would allow trail users to stay on the trail and cross over multiple lanes of automobile traffic on the proposed bridge without disrupting vehicular traffic flow.

The overcrossing would require construction of touchdown landings with graduated ramps on the north side of Dublin Boulevard adjacent to the Scarlett Drive right-of-way, within the westernmost portion of Don Biddle Park and on the south side of Dublin Boulevard within the existing Iron Horse Trail right-of-way. The proposed free-span bridge structure would be approximately 230 feet in length and would a minimum 17 feet of clearance over the Dublin Boulevard road surface. The entire Overcrossing Project length, including landings north and south of Dublin Boulevard, as well as the bridge span itself, is approximately 1,200 feet in length.

Adjacent development includes commercial and residential development along Dublin Boulevard including development of the Dublin Crossing Specific Plan area with parks, open space, residential, and commercial uses. The Dublin/Pleasanton BART station is located approximately 0.25 miles south of the project area. The project would provide a grade-separated crossing for Iron Horse Trail users accessing the BART station or heading to and from other regional locations in the vicinity of Dublin Boulevard and addressed in the Dublin Crossing Specific Plan EIR area.

## **Public Review and Comment**

The Supplemental Mitigated Negative Declaration, including its supporting Initial Study, is available to the public. Copies of the Supplemental Mitigated Negative Declaration, the Initial Study, and all documents referenced in the Supplemental Mitigated Negative Declaration are available at the contact address above during normal business hours or on the City of Dublin website <a href="https://example.com/here/beta/40/">https://example.com/ht

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Enclosures: Draft Supplemental Mitigated Negative Declaration including supporting Initial Study