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## Notice of Availability (NOA) of a Draft Environmental Impact Report

<b>Date</b>	March 1, 2019
<b>To</b>	All Interested Agencies, Organizations and Persons
<b>Project Title</b>	Dublin Boulevard-North Canyons Parkway Extension
<b>Project Location</b>	The Project site is located at north of Interstate 580 (I-580) between Fallon Road and Doolan Road, with areas in the City of Dublin, unincorporated Alameda County, and the City of Livermore (APN#s 985-0027-002, 905-0001-006-03, 905-0001-005-02, 905-0001-004-04, 905-0001-004-03, 905-0001-003-02, and 905-0001-001-02).
<b>Lead Agency</b>	City of Dublin
<b>State Clearinghouse Number</b>	2017052047
<b>Public Review Period</b>	March 6, 2019 through April 22, 2019
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In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the Dublin CEQA Guidelines & Procedures, the City of Dublin, as Lead Agency, completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the project described below. The Draft EIR is being made available to the public in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act for a 45-day comment period. Written comments on the Draft EIR may be submitted to the mailing or email address listed above. All comments must be received no later than 5:00 PM on **April 22, 2019**. The City will provide written responses to all comments received by the end of the public review period. Comments and responses will be included in the Final EIR and provided to the City of Dublin City Council for their consideration.

## Project Description

The Project would include the extension of Dublin Boulevard approximately 1.5 miles eastward through eastern Dublin and an unincorporated portion of the Alameda County to the western boundary of Livermore (Project).

The roadway extension would start from the current terminus of Dublin Boulevard at the Dublin Boulevard/Fallon Road intersection in Dublin and would end at the Doolan Road/North Canyons Parkway intersection along the boundary of the County and Livermore. This roadway extension would provide four to six travel lanes and bicycle and pedestrian facilities (i.e., pathways, sidewalks and bike lanes). Beginning at Fallon Road, the roadway extension would have six travel lanes (three in each direction). Continuing eastward, the roadway extension would transition to four travel lanes (two in each direction) before or at the intersection with Croak Road. From Croak road to Doolan Road, the roadway extension would remain in the four lane configuration. The permanent area required for the Project, including the roadway, sidewalks, intersections, and land acquired for right-of-way is estimated at 29 acres. Future average daily traffic (ADT) along the roadway extension is projected to be 17,000 to 19,000 vehicles per day. Project design features and components include (from west to east):

- Intersection improvements at Fallon Road (including modification of the signalized intersection)
- The elimination of the existing intersection of Croak Road and Fallon Road
- Abandonment of a north-south (frontage road) portion of Croak Road parallel to Fallon Road
- The addition of a "T" shaped hammerhead turnaround at the new terminus of Croak Road adjacent to Fallon Road
- Grading and earthwork northeast of the Dublin Boulevard/Fallon Road intersection, including grading at the base of the hills to the north, and more minor grading throughout the road alignment to meet engineering and safety requirements
- Removal of overhead utility lines between Fallon Road and Croak Road
- Creation of a new signalized intersection where the Dublin Boulevard extension would cross Croak Road
- Construction of a new bridge over Cottonwood Creek
- Construction staging and laydown between the roadway extension and Collier Canyon Road, along Doolan Road
- Intersection improvements at the Doolan Road/North Canyons parkway intersection, including the creation of a new, signalized eastbound approach to the intersection
- The extension of underground utility lines into the Project site within the operational footprint
- Construction of the new roadway, which would include a median, inside shoulder at some locations, vehicle travel lanes, bicycle facilities, a parkway strip, separated sidewalks and separated Class I bike path and/or a multi-use path, street lighting, and cut/fill embankments

- Retaining walls may be used in addition to, or as an alternative to, cut/fill embankments associated with roadway and hillside grading. If used, retaining walls would be placed outside of the sidewalk and bicycle facility areas on either side of the roadway cross section, within the construction footprint and within the permanent right-of-way. Retaining walls would measure 3 feet to 10 feet in height and would generally require a smaller area of grading or ground disturbance in comparison to cut/fill slopes.

**Required Permits and Approvals**

The Project would require the following discretionary actions from Dublin:

- EIR Certification
- Amendment to the City of Dublin General Plan
- Amendment to the Eastern Dublin Specific Plan

In addition to discretionary approvals by Dublin, permits and approvals required from federal, state, and local agencies are presented in the table below.

**Required Permits and Approvals**

Agency	Permit/Approval	Status
United States Army Corps of Engineers	Section 404 Permit – Nationwide	Issued during the final design phase
United States Fish and Wildlife Service	Biological Opinion	Issued prior to Project approval
	Section 7 Incidental Take Permit	Issued prior to Project approval
California Department of Fish and Wildlife	1602 Agreement	Issued during the final design phase
	Incidental Take Permit	Issued during the final design phase
Regional Water Quality Control Board	Section 401 Certification	Issued during the final design phase

Source: Circlepoint, 2019; HT Harvey and Associates, 2019

**Potentially Significant Environmental Impacts**

The Draft EIR identifies significant and potentially significant impacts for the Project. With the implementation of the proposed mitigation measures, no significant impacts related to aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, noise and vibration, population and housing, public services, recreation, or utilities would result from the Project. Impacts related to transportation would remain significant and unavoidable, since the

mitigation measures identified in the Draft EIR would require improvements to intersections outside of the City of Dublin's jurisdiction.

## Public Review and Comment

Copies of the Draft EIR and all documents referenced in the Draft EIR are available during normal business hours at:

City of Dublin  
Public Works Department  
100 Civic Plaza  
Dublin, CA 94568

Dublin Library  
200 Civic Plaza  
Dublin, CA 94568

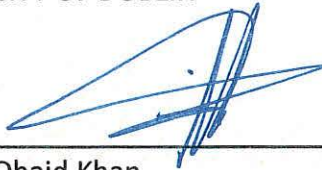
The Draft EIR can also be accessed via the Internet at:

<https://dublin.ca.gov/2093/DEIR>

## Public Hearing

The City of Dublin will host a public meeting where comments on the Draft EIR may be brought by interested members of the public. This public meeting will take place on April 3, 2019, 6:30 PM at Regional Meeting Room, 100 Civic Plaza, Dublin, CA 94568. After the public review period, the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to review the Project and Draft EIR and make recommendations to the City Council. The City Council will hold a public hearing to consider the Project and certification of the EIR. Notice of the time and date of the public hearings will be provided at a later date.

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