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SCH# 2019029047

Project Title: Bear Creek Culvert Rehabilitation Project
Lead Agency: California Department of Transportation
Mailing Address: 50 Higuera St.
City: San Luis Obispo Zip: 93401 County: San Luis Obispo
Contact Person: Jason Wilkinson
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Project Location: County: Santa Barbara City/Nearest Community: Santa Barbara
Cross Streets: Highway 154 and Paradise Road Zip Code:
Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds):
Assessor's Parcel No.: Section: Twp.: Range: Base:
Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 154 Waterways: Bear Creek
Airports: NA Railways: NA Schools: NA

Document Type:
CEQA: [] NOP [] Draft EIR NEPA: [] NOI Other: [] Joint Document
[] Early Cons [] Supplement/Subsequent EIR [] EA [] Final Document
[] Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) [] Draft EIS [X] Other: CE
[X] Mit Neg Dec Other:

Local Action Type:
[] General Plan Update [] Specific Plan [] Rezone [] Annexation
[] General Plan Amendment [] Master Plan [] Prezone [] Redevelopment
[] General Plan Element [] Planned Unit Development [] Use Permit [] Coastal Permit
[] Community Plan [X] Site Plan [] Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) [] Other:

Development Type:
[] Residential: Units Acres
[] Office: Sq.ft. Acres Employees [X] Transportation: Type Culvert repair
[] Commercial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees [] Mining: Mineral
[] Industrial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees [] Power: Type MW
[] Educational: [] Waste Treatment: Type MGD
[] Recreational: [] Hazardous Waste: Type
[] Water Facilities: Type MGD [] Other:

Project Issues Discussed in Document:
[X] Aesthetic/Visual [] Fiscal [] Recreation/Parks [] Vegetation
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[X] Air Quality [] Forest Land/Fire Hazard [] Septic Systems [] Water Supply/Groundwater
[] Archeological/Historical [] Geologic/Seismic [] Sewer Capacity [X] Wetland/Riparian
[X] Biological Resources [] Minerals [] Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading [] Growth Inducement
[] Coastal Zone [] Noise [] Solid Waste [] Land Use
[] Drainage/Absorption [] Population/Housing Balance [] Toxic/Hazardous [] Cumulative Effects
[] Economic/Jobs [] Public Services/Facilities [] Traffic/Circulation [] Other:

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

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State Clearinghouse Contact: (916) 445-0613

State Review Began: 2 - 11 - 2019

SCH COMPLIANCE 3 - 12 - 2019

Project Sent to the following State Agencies

- X Resources
Boating & Waterways
Central Valley Flood Prot.
Coastal Comm
Colorado Rvr Bd
Conservation
CDFW # 5, M
Cal Fire
Historic Preservation
Parks & Rec
Bay Cons & Dev Comm.
DWR

- CalSTA
Aeronautics
X CHP
Caltrans#
Trans Planning
Other
Education
Food & Agriculture
HCD
OES
State/Consumer Svcs
General Services

- Cal EPA
ARB: Airport & Freight
ARB: Transportation Projects
ARB: Major Industrial/Energy Resources, Recycl. & Recovery
X SWRCB: Div. of Drinking Water
SWRCB: Div. Drinking Wtr #
SWRCB: Div. Financial Assist.
SWRCB: Wtr Quality
SWRCB: Wtr Rights
X Reg. WQCB # 3
Toxic Sub Ctrl-CTC
Yth/Adlt Corrections
Corrections
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Delta Protection Comm
Delta Stewardship Council
Energy Commission
X NAHC
Public Utilities Comm
Santa Monica Bay Restoration
State Lands Comm
Tahoe Rgl Plan Agency
Conservancy
Other:

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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date 2/12/19 Ending Date 3/15/19

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting Firm: <u>NA</u>	Applicant: <u>Caltrans</u>
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Signature of Lead Agency Representative: Jenny M. [Signature] Date: 2/11/19

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The fish passage structure would be composed of a series of forty weirs (each 26-inches high with a 1-foot-wide by 4-inch-deep low-flow notch). A fish weir is a structure that helps direct the passage of fish upstream. At the culvert outlet, eight pools will be created, each approximately 3-foot by 4-foot in area and will replace the existing concrete apron. An 18-inch walkway will also be constructed along the south culvert wing wall at the inlet and outlet to provide access for maintenance personnel.

The project is expected to take approximately two to three months to complete.

