

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal**Form F**

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Merced County Bridge Maintenance and Replacment Program

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Project Location: Various location within Merced County

City

County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

Merced County proposes to continue the implementation of the existing Bridge Maintenance and Replacement Program, which expired in 2018. The County's ongoing road bridge/culvert repair, maintenance, and replacement addresses problems and deficiencies identified through routine inspections. There are 396 road bridge/culverts in County that are subject to routine inspections and maintenance under this program. Of this total, 166 bridge/culverts cross natural watercourses. Most of the bridges are concrete bridges, although some are made of timber and reinforced concrete. The program involves the routine maintenance, repair, and replacement of road bridges and culverts throughout Merced County.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The proposed project may have potentially significant effects to Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, and Tribal Cultural Resources.

There is potential for the project to degrade the quality of the environment during construction through impacts to biological resources, water quality, paleontological resources, or cultural or Tribal Cultural Resources. With implementation of avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures listed in Section 4 Biological Resources, Section 5 Cultural Resources, Section 7 Geology and Soils, Section 18 Tribal Cultural Resources of the Final IS/MND, impacts would be less than significant.