



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

- Who:** County of San Luis Obispo
- What:** A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared and issued for the County of San Luis Obispo Department of Public Works' Avila Beach Drive at State Route (SR) 101 Interchange Improvement Project (Project). The purpose of the Project is to improve the operations and multimodal access of the SR 101 at Avila Beach Drive interchange, northbound and southbound intersections. The Project would include three components: improve the existing five-legged intersection of SR 101 southbound ramps, Avila Beach Drive, and Shell Beach Road with a roundabout; modifications to the SR 101 northbound off-ramp; and construction of a Park-and-Ride lot located southwest of the interchange.
- Copies of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and all the associated documents referenced in the Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for review at the County of San Luis Obispo Department of Public Works, 976 Osos Street, County Government Center Room 206, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408. The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is accessible on the County's website at <https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/PW/Avila-SR-101-Interchange-MND>.
- Where:** The Project is primarily located within the San Luis Bay Coastal Planning Area – Coastal Zone; the northern portion of the Project is in the San Luis Obispo Planning Area – San Luis Bay Inland Sub Area North. The Project is in Supervisorial District 3, approximately 2 miles east of the community of Avila Beach and approximately 0.5 mile west of the City of Pismo Beach.
- Comments:** The 30-day review and comment period for the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration begins on January 6, 2020 and ends on February 5, 2020. Written comments must be received by 5:00 P.M. on the last day of the review period and should be addressed to: Matthew Willis, Environmental Specialist, MWillis@co.slo.ca.us, County Government Center, Room 206, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408.
- Public Hearing:** The County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing to consider the adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration. The hearing is tentatively scheduled for March 2020. Interested persons can access the Board of Supervisor's agenda at <http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/bos/BOSagenda.htm> to locate the date of the public hearing for the Project.