

PUBLIC NOTICE



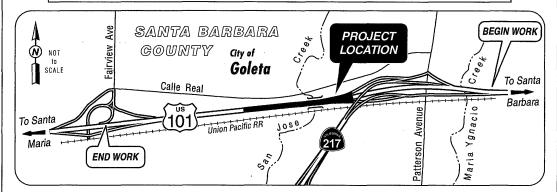
Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration And Opportunity for a Public Hearing

(Study Results Available)

Do you want a public hearing on changes proposed for the San Jose Creek Bridge Replacement Project on U.S. Route 101 in Santa Barbara County?

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Comments will be accepted from December 13, 2019 to January 17, 2019. If there are no major comments or requests for a public hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.



WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to replace the existing northbound and southbound San Jose Creek bridge structures on U.S. Route 101 at post mile 21.6 in the City of Goleta in Santa Barbara County. The existing bridge structures have been found to contain reactive aggregate in the concrete, which could compromise the overall structural integrity over time. Replacing the bridge is the best way to remove the reactive aggregate in the concrete and ensure the function and reliability of the highway. The new bridge would be designed as a single-span structure that would meet current bridge standards. It would be constructed in the same location as the existing structures on the current highway alignment.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show the project will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. Caltrans has prepared an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration/Environmental Assessment for the project after studying the effects the project may have on the environment. The study results are now available for public review and comment.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration/Environmental Assessment and other project information will be available for review and copying at the Caltrans District 5 Office at 50 Higuera Street in San Luis Obispo, CA 93401 weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The document is also be available for review at the following locations:

- · City of Goleta Planning Office, 130 Cremona Drive, Suite B, Goleta, CA 93117
- Goleta Valley Library, 500 North Fairview Avenue, Goleta, CA 93117
- County of Santa Barbara Planning Office, 123 East Anapamu Street, 2nd Floor, Santa Barbara, CA 93101
- Santa Barbara Public Library, 40 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

WHERE DO YOU COME IN?

Do you have any comments about processing the project with an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration/ Environmental Assessment? Do you disagree with the findings of our study set forth in the document? Would you like to make any other comments on the project? Would you like a public hearing? Please submit your comments no later than **January 17, 2019** by email: matt.c.fowler@dot.ca.gov or mail to Caltrans, Attn: Matt Fowler, Senior Environmental Planner, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401. If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT

For more information or to request a copy of the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration/Environmental Assessment, please contact Caltrans, Attn: Matt Fowler, Senior Environmental Planner, by email at matt.c.fowler@dot.ca.gov or call (805) 542-4603. For information on other state highway projects, please visit the Caltrans District 5 website at http://www.dot.ca.gov/d5/ or contact the Caltrans Public Affairs Office at (805) 449-3318.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, individuals who require accommodation (American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating, documents in alternative formats, etc.) are requested to contact the Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs Office by email: info-d5@dot.ca.gov or by phone: (805) 549-3318.