

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for The South Eel River Bridge Seismic Project on State Route 162 in Mendocino County

#### WHAT IS BEING PLANNED

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is proposing a seismic project to provide State Route 162 Postmile 8.2 with an earthquake-resistant bridge structure capable of resisting a maximum credible earthquake.

Three alternatives are in consideration for the South Eel River Bridge Project.

- Alternative A would perform retrofit work to improve the structural integrity and make this bridge capable of resisting a maximum credible earthquake. One-way traffic control would be in place during construction.
- Alternative B would consist of a staged replacement of the existing structure in which the bridge would be reduced to one lane. One-way traffic control would be in place during construction. Construction of a partial width of the new bridge would be completed on the southeast side of the existing bridge. Once the partial section of the new bridge is completed, the one lane of traffic would be moved to the new bridge, and the remainder of the existing bridge would be removed, followed by completion of the new bridge.
- Alternative C would replace the existing bridge with a new one to the south of the existing bridge. Little to no traffic control would occur.

## WHY THIS AD

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment, and our studies show it will not significantly affect the quality of the environment with proposed mitigation. An Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) explains why. This notice informs you of the availability of the IS/MND. Please review the IS/MND and provided comments during the comment period **April 07, 2020- May 08, 2020.** 

## WHAT IS AVAILABLE

The IS/MND is available for review after April 01, 2020, at Caltrans District 1, 1656 Union Street, Eureka, weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., online at <a href="https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/">https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/</a>, or by request to 707-441-4570/<a href="mailto:cassie.nichols@dot.ca.gov">cassie.nichols@dot.ca.gov</a>.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please submit written comments to Cassie Nichols, Caltrans District 1, PO Box 3700, Eureka, CA 95502. Comments may also be emailed to cassie.nichols@dot.ca.gov. All comments must be received by **May 8**, **2020**. For more information about this project, please contact Project Manager Steven Blair at (707) 441-5899 or steven.blair@dot.ca.gov.

## SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Individuals who require special accommodations (American Sign Language interpreter, real-time captioning, accessible seating, note-takers, and documentation in alternative formats) should contact the District 1 Public Information Office at (707) 445-6444. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service TDD line at 1-800-735-2922.