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RE: SCH #2020049014

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) Humboldt Area recently received a request to review and respond to the Alton Shoulder Widening Project, (EA: 01-0E010). The California Department of Transportation (CalTrans) proposes a widening project along State Route (SR) 36 in Humboldt County between Post Mile (PM) 0.1 to PM 1.65. The CHP's primary concern pertains to potential traffic congestion on SR-36 in the immediate area of the project as well as an increase in traffic along the most viable alternative route of Rohnerville Road from the City of Fortuna to the community of Hydesville. It is anticipated CalTrans will utilize one-way traffic control measures to mitigate traffic concerns during this project which should cause only minimal traffic delays. Heavy truck and other vehicular traffic could surge onto local Fortuna highways from motorists attempting to bypass the one-way traffic control. The CHP Humboldt Area recommends consideration for the time of year for this project due to the potential increase for tourist and vacation travel during the summer months. The CHP Humboldt Area additionally recommends the hours of operation for this project occur overnight and during off-commute hours to best reduce any possible traffic surge through the City of Fortuna.

If there are questions regarding the concerns of the CHP Humboldt Area, please contact Sergeant Gabriel Parker at (707) 822-5981.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. L. Barr".

S. L. BARR, Captain
Commander

