



PUBLIC NOTICE



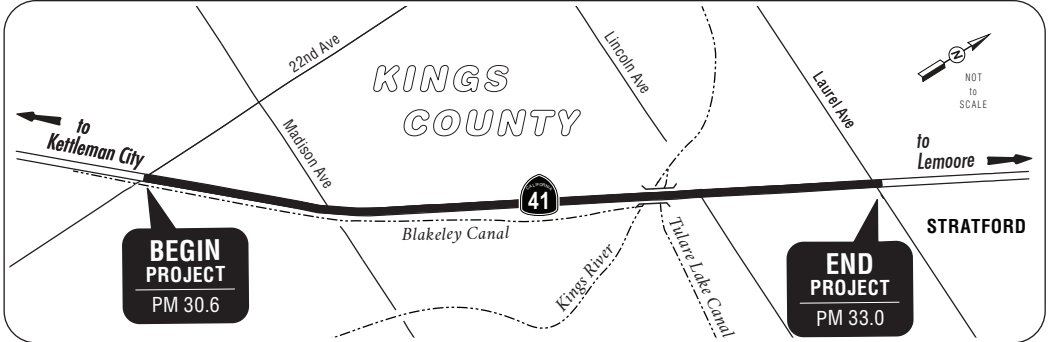
Notice of Intent to Adopt a MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

(Study Results Available)

Stratford Kings River Bridge Replacement Project on State Route 41 in Kings County

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Comments will be accepted from April 28 to May 28. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, to ensure the safety of the public and our staff, Caltrans will not hold any public gatherings at this time and will not offer the opportunity for a public hearing.



WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to replace the Kings River Bridge on State Route 41 over the Kings River in Kings County near the town of Stratford. Caltrans plans to replace the bridge with a new standard structure. During construction, State Route 41 will be closed for an extended period of time, and interregional traffic will be detoured to State Route 198, Avenal Cutoff Road and Interstate 5.

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, but there will be temporary construction impacts to traffic that may inconvenience commuters. This notice is to inform you of the preparation of an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, which is now available for you to read and comment on.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and other project information are available for review and copying at the Caltrans District 6 office at 1352 West Olive Avenue, Fresno, CA 93728 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The document can also be downloaded at the following website: <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-6>.

If you prefer that a hard copy or CD of the document be sent to your home, please email Juergen Vespermann, Senior Environmental Planner, at juergen.vespermann@dot.ca.gov.

WHERE DO YOU COME IN?

If you would like to make any comments on the project or the Initial Study, please send your written comments by May 28, 2020 to Caltrans, Attention: Juergen Vespermann, 855 M Street, Suite 200, Fresno, CA 93721; or via email to juergen.vespermann@dot.ca.gov. If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project.

CONTACT

For more information, please contact Juergen Vespermann, Senior Environmental Planner, at (559) 445-6369 or by email at juergen.vespermann@dot.ca.gov

For all other state highway matters in the area, please contact the District 6 Public Information Office by e-mail at D6.public.info@dot.ca.gov or by phone at (559) 488-4067.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Individuals who require documents in alternative formats are requested to contact the District 6 Public Affairs Office at (559) 444-2409. Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service line at 1 (800) 735-2929 or contact the California Relay Service TTY voice line by dialing 711.