

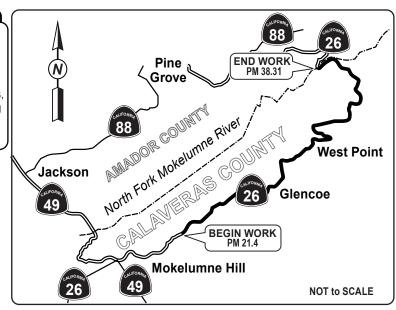
Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (Study Results Available)

and Opportunity for a Public Hearing State Route 26 Slope Stabilization

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Comments will be accepted from October 8, 2020 to November 8, 2020.

If there are no major comments, or requests for a public hearing Caltrans will proceed with the project design.



WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to stabilize deteriorating slopes and improve drainage on both sides of State Route 26 at 8 locations in Calaveras County from about 5.4 miles west of Ridge Road to the Amador County line (post miles 21.4 to 38.31). The project would also upgrade drainage systems, stabilize slopes, and construct retaining walls in certain locations.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment, and our studies show that it will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. This notice is to inform the public that an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the project and is now available for review and comments. This notice also offers the opportunity to request a public hearing.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is available as follows:

- The Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is posted online and available for viewing or download on the Caltrans District 10 website: http://www.dot.ca.gov/d10/projects.html.
- A printed copy or a compact disc (CD) of the document and maps for the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative
 Declaration and other project information are available by request and can be sent to your home address. To request a
 printed copy or CD, please contact Jennifer Lugo at 559-445-6172 or by email at jennifer.lugo@dot.ca.gov.

WHERE DO YOU COME IN?

Do you have any comments about processing the project with a Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? Do you want to make any comments on the project? Do you want a Public Hearing? Please submit your comments in writing no later than November 8, 2020 to Caltrans, Attention: Jennifer Lugo, Senior Environmental Planner, Central Region Environmental Division, 855 M Street, Suite 200, Fresno, CA 93721. Comments will be accepted from October 8, 2020 to November 8, 2020. If there are no major comments or requests for a public hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project design.

CONTACT

For more information on the project, please contact Jennifer Lugo, Senior Environmental Planner, at (559) 445-6172 or by email at jennifer.lugo@dot.ca.gov, or contact Mimi Huie, Project Manager, at (209) 607-3170 or by email at mimi.huie@dot.ca.gov. For all other State Highway matters, please contact the Caltrans District 10 Public Affairs Office at: (209) 948-7977 or by email at district10publicaffairs@dot.ca.gov.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

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