Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration Pursuant to: Division 13, Public Resources Code

Project Proponent:	City of Jurupa Valley 8930 Limonite Avenue Jurupa Valley, CA 92509
Project Title:	Van Buren Boulevard Widening Project
Project Location:	The Project is located along Van Buren Boulevard beginning at Limonite Avenue and extends southeast over the Santa Ana River in the City of Jurupa Valley for a total distance of approximately 1.1 miles.
Project Description:	The proposed Project widens Van Buren Boulevard to provide six (6) total lanes, three (3) in each direction while maintaining the existing raised center median and providing curb and gutter. The widening of pavement along Van Buren Boulevard begins approximately 700 feet south of Limonite Avenue, and ends approximately 600 feet north of Clay Street, where the existing pavement is already wide enough to accommodate the third lane. The Project will restripe the already widened area to provide a third lane in each direction from Clay Street across existing bridge over the Santa Ana River.
	Retaining walls are anticipated to be required for the proposed Project. A retaining wall is anticipated to be constructed along portions of the slopes between the Van Buren Boulevard and the adjacent railroad as well as a portion on the west side of Van Buren Boulevard. A retaining will also be required to be constructed above the existing culvert that currently crosses under the adjacent railroad and Van Buren Boulevard and terminates at the end of Pedley Road in order to widen Van Buren. No modifications to the culvert are anticipated as part of the Project.
	The Project may result in adjustments to manholes and blowoff valves; however, no utility relocations are anticipated. The Project would also require temporary construction easements and one minor permanent acquisition at the northwest corner of Van Buren Boulevard and Studio Place.
	Typical equipment for roadway construction would include heavy construction earthmoving equipment, dump truck and pavers. Typical equipment for culvert construction would include excavators and concrete pumps.
	Construction is anticipated to begin in Summer 2021 and will take approximately 6 months to complete.
Findings:	Pursuant to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Jurupa Valley has determined that a Mitigated

	Negative Declaration is the appropriate environmental document for the proposed Project. This Initial Study examines the environmental impacts of the Project. The Project will not result in any potentially significant impacts with the inclusion of the proposed mitigation measures, which reduce potential adverse impacts to less than significant levels. Therefore, the City of Jurupa Valley has prepared a Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration with mitigation measures in accordance with the provisions of CEQA.
Mitigation Measures	Refer to the Sections I through XXI of this Initial Study, and to Appendix A (Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program).

A copy of the Initial Study is available for review at the following locations:

• City of Jurupa Valley, 8930 Limonite Avenue, Jurupa Valley, CA 92509

and at the City of Jurupa Valley website:

<u>https://www.jurupavalley.org/DocumentCenter/Index/68</u>

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