

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**



# Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Opportunity for a Virtual Public Hearing (Study Results Available)

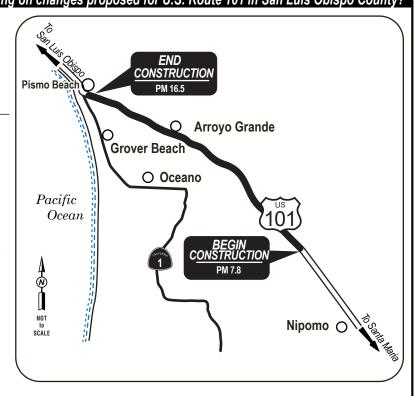
Do you want a virtual public hearing on changes proposed for U.S. Route 101 in San Luis Obispo County?

### WHEN AND WHERE?

Comments will be accepted from May 10, 2022, to June 10, 2022. If there are no major comments or requests for a virtual public hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

#### WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to improve assets in poor condition to ensure the long-term serviceability of U.S. Route 101 in San Luis Obispo County from post mile 7.80 to post mile 16.50, between the Cities of Nipomo and Pismo Beach. Asphalt concrete overlay will be placed on U.S. Route 101 within most of the project limits. Other assets included in this project are culvert improvements, bikeway striping, maintenance vehicle pullouts, paving beyond the gore area, fence replacement, vegetation control, slope paving, median concrete barrier, bridge rail replacement, bridge deck sealing, bridge approach slabs, and updating the curb ramps to current Americans with Disabilities Act standards.



# 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. The report that explains why is called an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration. This notice is to inform you of the preparation of the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and of its availability for you to read and comment on. This notice also offers you an opportunity to request a virtual public hearing.

# WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

Beginning May 10, 2022, the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will be available at:

- Online at https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-5/
- The document (Volume 1) and the related technical studies (Volume 2) will be available upon request. If you would like to receive a printed version of this document, please contact Matt Fowler at 805-779-0793 or by email at matt.c.fowler@dot.ca.gov.

## WHERE DO YOU COME IN?

Do you have any comments about processing the project with an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? Would you like a virtual public hearing? Please submit your comments or requests for a virtual public hearing in writing by U.S. Mail or email no later than June 10, 2022, to Caltrans, Attention: Matt Fowler, Senior Environmental Planner, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, California 93401, or by email to matt.c.fowler@dot.ca.gov. The date Caltrans will begin accepting comments is May 10, 2022. If there are no major comments or requests for a virtual public hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

# CONTACT

For more information about this project, please contact Matt Fowler, Senior Environmental Planner, at 805-779-0793 or by email at matt.c.fowler@dot.ca.gov. For all other state highway matters in the area, please contact the District 5 Public Information Office at 805-549-3237 or by email at info-d5@dot.ca.gov.

#### SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, individuals who require accommodation (American Sign Language Interpreter, accessible seating, documents in alternative formats, etc.) are requested to contact the Caltrans District 5 Public Information Office at info-d5@dot.ca.gov or by phone at 805-549-3237. Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service line at 1-800-735-2929, Voice Line at 1-800-735-2922, or contact the California Relay Service Teletype Voice Line by dialing 711.