

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
TRANSPORTATION AND
LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY



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Transportation Department
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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April 4, 2022

PROJECT TITLE: Mecca Neighborhood Park and Greening Project
Work Order# ZD20021C Task Code #Z1530

PROJECT SPONSOR: County of Riverside Transportation Department

PROJECT LOCATION: Community of Mecca

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT: District 4

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The County of Riverside Transportation Department is proposing to construct the Mecca Neighborhood Park and Greening Project, which includes street tree planting, park improvements, sidewalks, and curb and gutter.

Street trees will be planted within the public road right-of-way along approximately 1.5 miles of streets as follows:

- Coahuilla Street from 65th Avenue to 2nd Street
- Date Palm Street from 65th Avenue to 66th Avenue
- 66th Avenue from Hammond Road to east of Date Palm Street
- 2nd Street from Hammond road to east of Date Palm Street
- 5th Street from Coahuilla Street to Date Palm Street
- Hammond Road from north of 2nd Street to 66th Avenue

Park site improvements will be made to the County of Riverside 0.3-acre property bounded by the following streets:

- On the north by 2nd Street, west by Hammond Road, south by 66th Avenue, east by the centerline projection of Coahuilla Street

Curb and Gutter and Sidewalk improvements will be constructed along 0.1 mile of streets as follows:

- Hammond Road from 2nd Street to 66th Avenue
- 66th Avenue from Hammond Road to Date Palm Street

The proposed project will include the following:

- Tree and shrub plantings

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Peter Aldana
Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder

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- Soil export, import, and amendment
- Decomposed granite mulch, rocks and boulders
- Irrigation systems
- Water service
- Electric service
- Concrete sidewalks, decorative walkways, drive approaches, curb ramps, retaining walls and curb and gutter
- Drainage structures
- Utility removals, relocation, and adjustments
- Removal of existing improvements
- Park entry signage, furniture, lighting, and art (optional)
- Other associated work

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The proposed project will not acquire right-of-way.

This project is subject to compliance with the Coachella Valley MSHCP. In accordance with Section 7.1 of the Coachella Valley MSHCP, public facility construction, maintenance, and safety activities along existing roadways and rights-of-way are considered a covered activity. If tree removal takes place during the migratory bird breeding season from March 1 to September 1, a pre-construction nesting survey will be conducted pursuant to the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

The Riverside County Transportation Department has found that the above-described project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), based on the following:

Section 15301 (c) – Existing Facilities – The project proposes to install street trees, park improvements, sidewalks, and associated improvements. The project in its entirety is consistent with Section 15301(c) because it does not create additional automobile lanes and involves no expansion of use of the existing roadway and associated facilities.

Section 15301 (f) – Existing Facilities – The project proposes to install street trees, park improvements, sidewalks, and associated improvements. The proposed street trees and sidewalk will provide a safe walking path with shade. Additionally, the project will improve drainage and will contribute to a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions, which may reduce the effects of global warming and aid in carbon sequestration. The project in its entirety is consistent with Section 15301(f) because of the addition of safety or health protection devices in conjunction with existing structures.

Section 15304 (b) – Minor Alterations to Lands – The project proposes to install street trees and park improvements. The project is consistent with Section 15304 (b) because of the addition of new park and landscaping.

Section 15311 (a) – Accessory Structures – The project proposes to construct park improvements and associated park signs. The project is consistent with Section 15311 (a) because of the addition of new park, park furniture, and park signs.

By: David Castro, Associate Transportation Planner

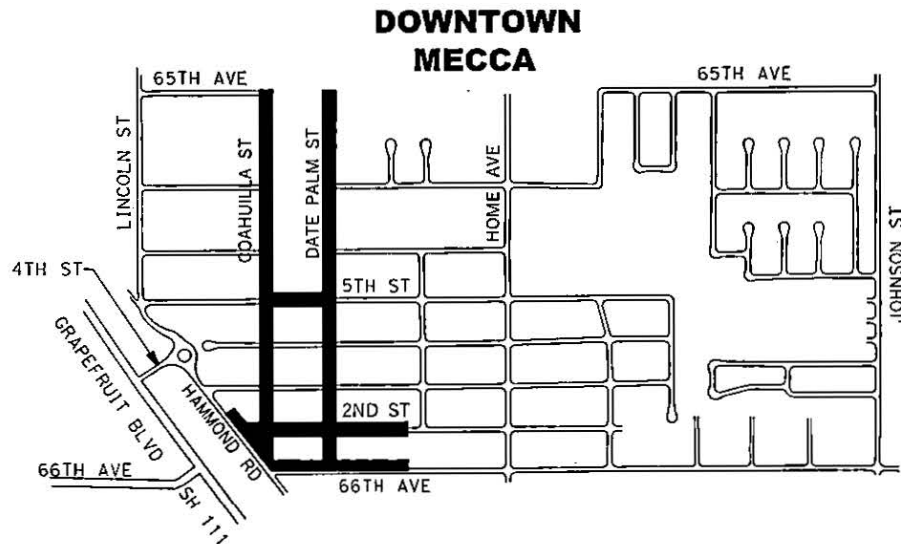
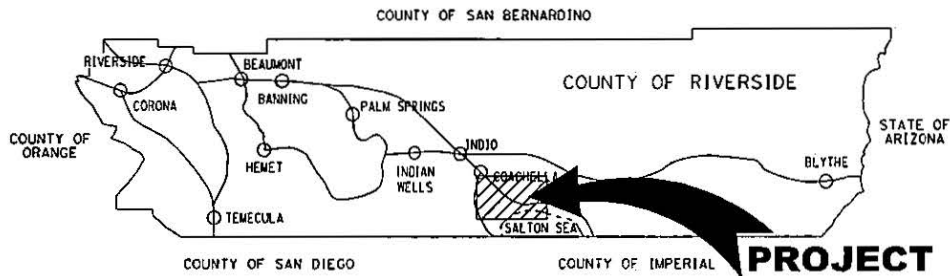
Signed: Mary Zambon
Mary Zambon, Environmental Project Manager

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

MECCA NEIGHBORHOOD PARK AND GREENING PROJECT

STREET TREE PLANTING, TRIANGLE PARK IMPROVEMENTS,
AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS

PROJECT No. D2-0021



VICINITY MAP

TOWNSHIP 7S RANGE 9E SECTION 8
COUNTY ROAD BOOK PAGE NO. 230 & 230A

**2022 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE****CASH RECEIPT**

DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/22) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:

22-137992

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

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PROJECT TITLE

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PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency☐ School District☐ Other Special District☐ State Agency☐ Private Entity**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

\$3,539.25

\$

☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)

\$2,548.00

\$

☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW

\$1,203.25

\$

☒ Exempt from fee☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)

\$850.00

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☒ County documentary handling fee

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\$50.00

☐ Other

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PAYMENT METHOD:☐ Cash☐ Credit☐ Check☒ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED

\$

\$50.00

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