PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Intent to Adopt a MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION and OPPORTUNITY for a VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

(Study Results Available)

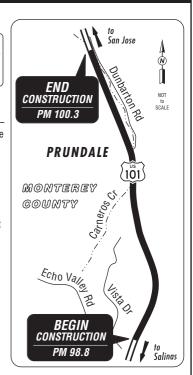
Do you have comments on changes proposed for U.S. 101 in Monterey County?

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Comments will be accepted from June 27 to July 26, 2022. If there are no major comments or requests for a hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes multiple drainage improvements within a 1.5-mile-long section of U.S. Route 101 in Monterey County from just north of the Crazy Horse Canyon Road/Echo Valley Road overcrossing (at post mile 98.8) to the northernmost intersection with Dunbarton Road (at post mile 100.3). Improvements would be implemented through joint repair and/or a complete replacement, depending on the conditions at each location. Existing culverts would be replaced with reinforced concrete pipes. Most of the replaced culverts would be upgraded to larger diameter drainage pipes for increased discharge capacity and reduced water flow velocity. Culvert replacements would use either the cut and cover method or the trenchless pipe jacking method. Existing drainage inlets would be replaced with new drainage inlets that meet current design standards. New flared end sections would be installed on the inlets and outlets of culverts as needed to prevent erosion. Concrete headwalls would be removed and replaced as needed. Damaged shoulder embankment slopes would be repaired at the outlets of two culverts. Two drainage channels would be graded to remove excess silt and vegetation.



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. This notice is to tell you of the preparation of the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and of its availability for you to read and to offer the opportunity for a virtual public meeting.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and other project information are available for review and can be downloaded from the following website:

• Online at: https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-5/

WHERE 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? Do you want a virtual public meeting regarding changes proposed by the project? Please submit your comments in writing by U.S. mail or by email no later than July 26, 2021, to Caltrans Environmental Planning, Attention: Matt Fowler, Senior Environmental Planner, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, California, 93401, or at matt.c.fowler@dot.ca.gov for emails. The date Caltrans will begin accepting comments is June 27, 2020. If there are no major comments or requests for a virtual public meeting, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT

For more information or to request a copy of the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, please contact Matt Fowler, Senior Environmental Planner, by email at matt.c.fowler@dot.ca.gov or by phone at (805) 779-0793. For information on other state highway projects, please visit the Caltrans District 5 website at https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-5 or contact the Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs Office by email at info-d5@dot.ca.gov or by phone at (805) 549-3138.

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 Affairs Office by email at info-d5@dot.ca.gov or by phone at 805.549.3138. Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service at 1 (800) 735-2929 (TTY to Voice), 1 (800) 855-3000 (Spanish TTY to Voice and Voice to TTY), 1 (800) 854-7784 (Spanish and English Speech-to-Speech), or 711.