# NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY (NOA) OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT AND VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

#### I-580 BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT

Public Comment Period – September 5, 2022 to October 5, 2022 Virtual Public Meeting – Wednesday, September 21, 2022, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Project Website - <a href="https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-4/d4-popular-links/d4-environmental-docs">https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-4/d4-popular-links/d4-environmental-docs</a>

## What's Being Planned:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes the Interstate 580 (I-580) Bridge Rehabilitation Project (Project) to restore and preserve the structural integrity of three undercrossings (UCs) and two pedestrian overcrossings (POCs) while maintaining connectivity between communities in the City of Oakland, Alameda County. The Project is located along I-580 and proposes seismic retrofits and bridge barrier railing replacements at the Broadway-Richmond Boulevard and Fruitvale Avenue UCs, bridge barrier railing replacements at the Webster Street UC, and demolition of the existing Van Buren Avenue and Santa Clara Avenue POCs. The Project also proposes two build alternatives and one No-Build Alternative. Build Alternative 1 includes bridge barrier replacements and seismic retrofits at the three UCs and construction of a new replacement POC in the vicinity that spans I-580 from Crescent Street to MacArthur Boulevard while Build Alternative 2 also includes work on the three UCs and surface street improvements along MacArthur Boulevard, Grand Avenue, and Santa Clara Avenue that include protected bicycle lanes, bus boarding islands, pedestrian safe crossings, and traffic calming measures.

#### **Why This Notice:**

Caltrans, as the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) lead agency, has studied the potential effects that the proposed improvements may have on the environment. The results of these studies are summarized in an Initial Study (IS) with Proposed Negative Declaration and Environmental Assessment (EA), also referred to as the Draft Environmental Document (DED). The Project is subject to and complies with the requirements of both CEQA and NEPA. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of the availability of the DED, to provide the public an opportunity to review and comment, and to notify the public of a virtual public meeting and an opportunity for a question and answer (Q&A) session. For more information and to review the DED online, please visit <a href="https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-4/d4-popular-links/d4-environmental-docs">https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-4/d4-popular-links/d4-environmental-docs</a> or review a hard copy at the Caltrans District 4 Office (at 111 Grand Avenue, Public Information Office, Ground Floor, Oakland, CA 94612).

### Where You Come In:

In an effort to protect public health and increase public participation and accessibility, Caltrans will host a virtual meeting in lieu of an in-person meeting. Please join us via Webex on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. to watch a live presentation about the project and the environmental review process, pose questions,

and provide formal comments on the DED. The link to the virtual public meeting as well as a call-in option can be found on the project website at https://dot.ca.gov/caltransnear-me/district-4/d4-popular-links/d4-environmental-docs.

Attending the virtual public meeting is not required to comment on the DED.

Comments will be accepted from September 5, 2022 - October 5, 2022, via the following platforms:

- If you'd prefer to submit your comments in writing, address them to: Caltrans District 4 Cody Ericksen

  - Office of Environmental Analysis
  - P.O. Box 23660, MS: 8B Oakland, CA 94623-0660
- If you'd prefer to submit your comment online, please email cody.ericksen@dot.ca.gov or
- Fill out a digital comment form, which can be found on the project website:
  - o https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-4/d4-popular-links/d4environmental-docs.
- Call the project's phone line and leave a voicemail: (510) 519-1336

To request a hardcopy of the DED via mail and/or special accommodations to attend the virtual public meeting or submit comments on the DED, including translation and interpretation services, please contact Cody Ericksen at cody.ericksen@dot.ca.gov.

Para solicitar una copia impresa del DED por correo y/o adaptaciones especiales para asistir a la reunión pública virtual o enviar comentarios sobre el DED, incluidos los servicios de traducción e interpretación, comuníquese con Cody Ericksen en cody.ericksen@dot.ca.gov.