

Addendum to the Noise Study Report (October 2015)

Centennial Corridor Project

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PURPOSE OF THE TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

This Addendum to the Noise Study Report (NSR) was prepared after circulation of the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (DEIR/EIS) for the Centennial Corridor Project (May 2014). The latest NSR study was approved by Caltrans on March 2014. The Centennial Corridor Draft Final EIR/EIS was submitted to Caltrans Headquarters Division of Environmental Analysis (DEA) for review and received comments pertaining to the previously approved NSR technical study. This Addendum addresses Caltrans' DEA comments (dated, September 1, 2015), and includes additional information to be included in the NSR technical study.

CHANGE IN PROJECT DESIGN

There are no changes to the project design since the approval of the NSR technical study in March 2014.

CHANGE IN REGULATORY SETTING

There are no changes in the regulatory setting since the approval of the NSR technical study in March 2014.

CHANGE IN AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT

There are no changes in the affected environment since the approval of the NSR technical study in March 2014.

CHANGE IN ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES

Caltrans DEA commented on the NSR technical study on September 1, 2015, requiring the feasibility for soundwall analysis be clarified. The reasonableness for soundwall construction as stated in Section 5.4, Methods for Identifying Traffic Noise Impacts and Consideration of Abatement, of the NSR, is refined and clarified here as: The overall reasonableness of noise abatement is determined by only three factors: 1) the noise reduction design goal; 2) cost of noise abatement; and 3) viewpoints of benefitted receivers (including property owners and tenants); environmental impacts of abatement construction; input from the public and local agencies; and social, legal, and technological factors.

CHANGE TO AVOIDANCE, MINIMIZATION, AND MITIGATION MEASURES

There are no changes to avoidance, minimization and mitigation measures since the approval of the NSR technical study in March 2014.

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