

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **SUMMARY – NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, STATE ROUTE 5 IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY – CONSTRUCT ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS NEAR SACRAMENTO**
10-Sac-5, PM 9.7/22.5

ISSUE:

The California Transportation Commission (Commission) is being asked to review and comment at its December 2007 meeting on the following Notice of Preparation (NOP):

- 10-Sac-5, PM 9.7/22.5, Route 5 in Sacramento County - Construct roadway improvements near Sacramento.

PROGRAMMING:

The proposed project would construct bus/carpool lanes on a portion of Route 5 in and near Sacramento in Sacramento County. The project is not fully funded. Sacramento Transportation Authority has agreed to contribute \$121 million of Measure A funding. The total estimated project cost is \$200,000,000. This project should be ready for construction in Fiscal Year 2011-12, depending on the availability of funds.

ALTERNATIVES BEING CONSIDERED:

Alternatives for the project are still under consideration and have not been finalized at this time.

POTENTIAL SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:

- Cultural Resources
- Community Impacts
- Hydrology/water quality
- Noise
- Air Quality
- Visual

Due to public concerns regarding air quality, noise, and community impacts that were identified during the circulation period for similar bus/carpool lane projects in the Sacramento area, the decision was made to prepare an Environmental Impact report rather than a Negative Declaration.

PROPOSED MEASURES TO MINIMIZE HARM:

- Conduct archeological surveys within project limits.
- Use established water quality Best Management Practices on project site.
- Program to brief construction workers regarding environmental commitments.
- Employ Best Management Practices for erosion control.
- Consider appropriate noise attenuation.
- Test for aerially deposited lead.
- Control visible emissions from off-road diesel powered equipment.
- Incorporate design characteristics and aesthetic treatments to minimize visual impacts.

Attachment

Project Map
I-5 Elk Grove to Downtown
Bus/Carpool Lane Project

