

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: March 23-24, 2011

Reference No.: 2.2c. (2)
Action

From: BIMLA G. RHINEHART
Executive Director

Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE CLAY STREET REALIGNMENT AND
BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT
(RESOLUTION E-11-17)**

ISSUE:

Should the Commission, as a Responsible Agency, accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Clay Street Realignment and Bridge Replacement Project (project) in El Dorado County and approve the project for future consideration of funding?

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission accept the MND and approve the project for future consideration of funding.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Placerville (City) is the CEQA lead agency for the project. On February 8, 2011 the City approved the MND and found that the project would not have a significant effect on the environment after mitigation. On February 17, 2011 the City confirmed that there are no new environmental impacts that require mitigation and the scope of work set forth in the MND is consistent with the scope of work programmed by the commission.

The project will redesign the Main Street/Clay Street and Main Street/Cedar Ravine Road intersections, replace the existing Clay Street Bridge and construct an extension on the multi-use El Dorado Trail.

The City found that with implementation of mitigation measures to address impacts related to transportation/circulation; biological resources; and cultural resources, there is no substantive evidence that the project will have a significant environmental impact. A mitigation monitoring program was prepared to identify the measures to mitigate or avoid the potential significant impacts and to ensure mitigation compliance during project implementation.

Mitigation measures include, but are not limited to, replacing lost parking capacity; installing temporary construction barrier fencing along the project area; replacing trees removed from the riparian forest along the northern bank of Hangtown Creek; and relocating the Druid Monument by following the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings.

The project is estimated to cost \$205,000 and is fully funded with STIP (\$180,000) funds and Local (\$25,000) funds. Construction is estimated to begin in 2012.

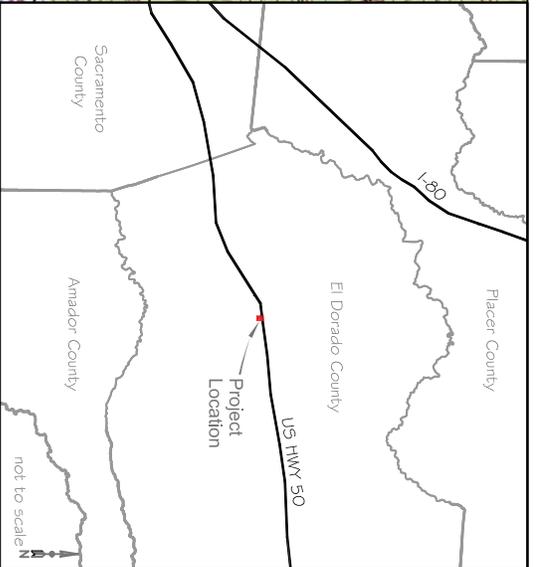
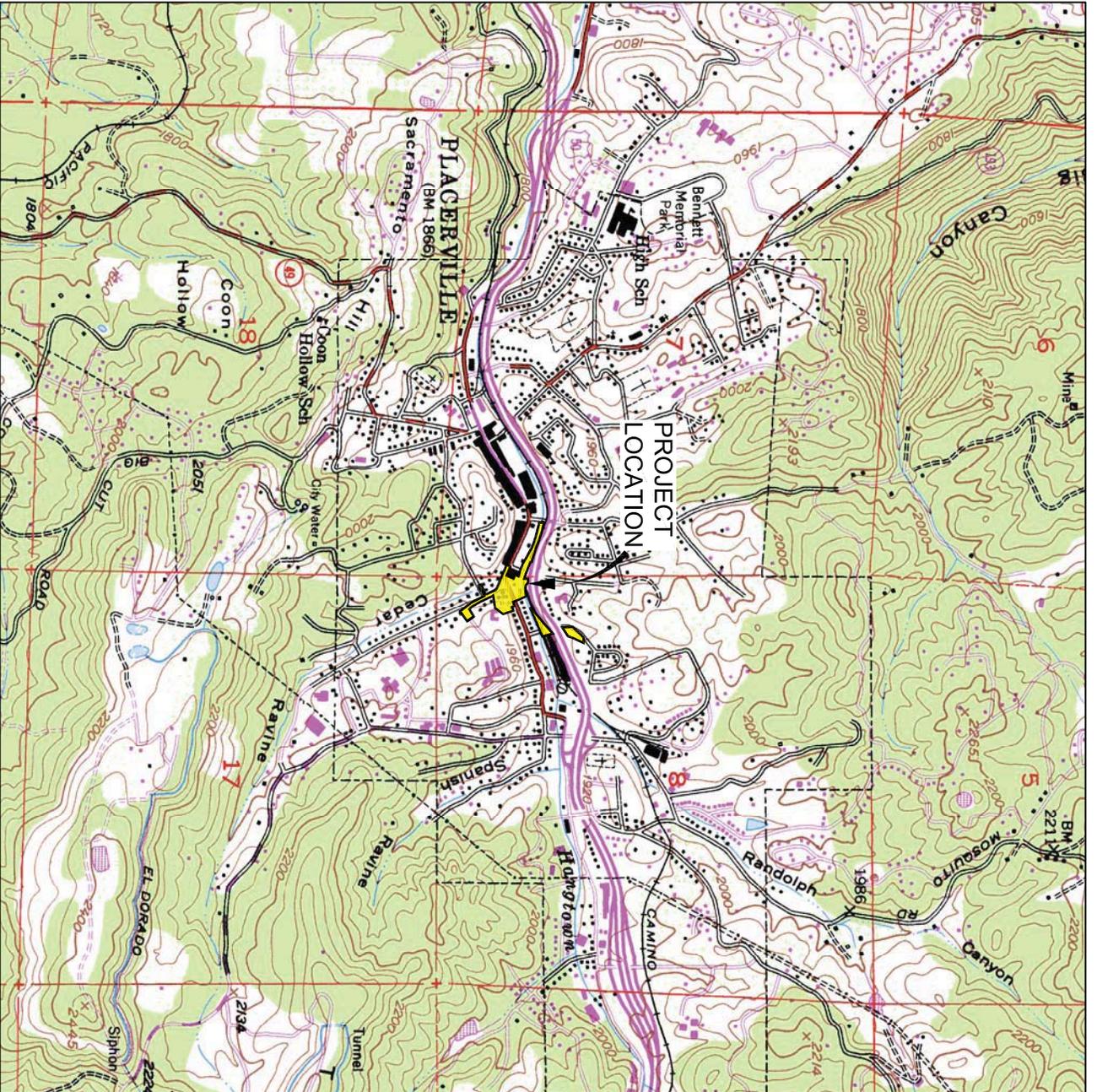
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- Resolution E-11-17
- Project Location

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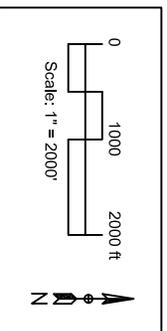
- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the City of Placerville (City) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - Clay Street Realignment and Bridge Replacement Project
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the City has certified that the Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the project will redesign Main Street/Clay Street and Main Street/Cedar Ravine Road intersections, replace existing Clay Street Bridge and extend the multi-use El Dorado Trail in the city of Placerville, El Dorado County; and
- 1.4 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a Responsible Agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.5 **WHEREAS**, the City found that all significant or potentially significant impacts can be reduced by mitigation measures to a less than significant level; and
- 1.6 **WHEREAS**, the City approved the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.7 **WHEREAS**, the City adopted a Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Program for the project.
- 2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.



Clay Street Realignment and Bridge
 (25C-0117) Replacement Project
 City of Placerville, CA
 7 September 2010

Figure 1. Project Location Map

 = Project Location



Basemap: Placerville USGS 7.5 Minute Quadrangle,
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