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LOS ANGELES AND ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

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EA 0Q950/EFIS 1218000006

Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment



Prepared by the State of California, Department of Transportation

The environmental review, consultation, and any other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by Caltrans pursuant to 23 USC 327 and the Memorandum of Understanding dated May 27, 2022, and executed by FHWA and Caltrans.



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General Information About This Document

What's in this document:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), as assigned by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), has prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) in accordance with CEQA and an Environmental Assessment (EA) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for the Proposed Project. The environmental document will be prepared as a joint document pursuant to CEQA and NEPA, which examines the potential environmental impacts of the alternatives being considered for the proposed project located in Orange County, California. Caltrans is the lead agency under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The document tells you why the project is being proposed, what alternatives we have considered for the project, how the existing environment could be affected by the project, the potential impacts of each of the alternatives, and the proposed avoidance, minimization, and/or mitigation measures.

What should you do:

- Please read the document.
- Copies of this document are available for review at the following locations:

Santa Ana Main Library Caltrans District 12 **Tustin Library** 1750 East 4th Street, Suite 100 345 E. Main Street 26 Civic Plaza Santa Ana, CA 92705 Tustin, CA 92780 Santa Ana, CA 92701 Fullerton Public Library Orange Main Library Anaheim Central Library 500 W. Broadway 13109 Old Myford Road 353 W. Commonwealth Ave Irvine, CA 92602 Anaheim, CA 92805 Fullerton, CA 92832

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 This document may be downloaded at the following website: https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-12/district-12-programs/district-12-environmental/i-5-managed-lanes-project

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• Attend the virtual and in-person public hearings on the following dates:

In-person Public Hearing (Open Forum)

Wednesday, June 28, 2023 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Caltrans District 12 Offices 1750 E. 4th St. #100, Santa Ana, CA 92705

Virtual Public Hearing (Open Forum)

Thursday, June 29, 2023 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Zoom Meeting - https://bit.ly/I5MLPublicMeeting

- We'd like to hear what you think. If you have any comments about the proposed project, please attend the public hearing and/or send your written comments to Caltrans by the deadline.
- Submit an online comment form at the Caltrans website: https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-12-programs/district-12-environmental/i-5-managed-lanes-project
- Send comments via postal mail to:
 Jayna Harris, Associate/Senior Environmental Planner
 3210 El Camino Real, Suite 100
 Irvine, CA 92602

- Send comments via email to: <u>I-5ManagedLanesProject@dot.ca.gov</u> with the subject line "I-5 Managed Lanes Project"
- Submit a comment to one of the court reporters during one of our public hearings
- Send comments by the deadline: July 20, 2023

What happens next:

After comments are received from the public and reviewing agencies, Caltrans, as assigned by FHWA, may: (1) give environmental approval to the proposed project, (2) do additional environmental studies, or (3) abandon the project. If the project is given environmental approval and funding is appropriated, Caltrans could design and construct all or part of the project.

Alternative Formats:

For individuals with sensory disabilities, this document can be made available in Braille, in large print, on audiocassette, or on computer disk. To obtain a copy in one of these alternate formats, please call or write to Department of Transportation, Attn: Alben Phung, Caltrans Division of Environmental Analysis, Branch "C", Caltrans District 12, 1750 East 4th Street, Suite 100, Santa Ana, CA 92705; (657) 328-6135 Voice; or use the California Relay Service 1 (800) 735-2929 (to TTY), 1 (800) 855-3000 (Spanish TTY to Voice and Voice to TTY), 1-800-854-7784 (Spanish and English Speech-to-Speech).

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Submitted Pursuant to: (State) Division 13, California Public Resources Code (Federal) 42 USC 4332(2)(C)

THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA Department of Transportation

Responsible Agencies: California Transportation Commission

05/31/2023

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