

PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of Intent to Adopt a MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION and DRAFT SECTION 4(F) DE MINIMIS DETERMINATION and OPPORTUNITY for a VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

Bradley CAPM Project

Do you want a virtual public meeting on changes proposed for U.S. Route 101 in Monterey County?

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to rehabilitate and extend the service life of the pavement on the roadway and shoulders within the project limits, replace the southbound and northbound San Antonio River Bridges (44-0141L/R) at post mile R6.66, and replace the southbound North Bradley Undercrossing Bridge (44-0142L) at post mile 7.94. The project also proposes to replace four culverts and repair one culvert, replace guardrails and signs, and replace and install traffic count census stations. The proposed project is located along U.S. Route 101 in Monterey County, near Bradley, from the East Garrison off-ramp at post mile R1.9 to the Jolon Road Undercrossing at post mile R9.7. See the draft environmental document for a complete project description.

Caltrans also announces its intent to adopt a U.S. Department of Transportation Act Section 4(f) De Minimis Determination for this project. The San Antonio River Bridges are located in the San Antonio Unit of the Big Sandy Wildlife Area, a Section 4(f) resource. Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966 seeks to protect publicly owned parks and recreation areas, wildlife refuges, and historic sites eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Provisions to carry out this evaluation are recorded in 23 Code of Federal Regulations Section 774.17, Section 4(f). As part of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Act of 2005, the legislature established the de minimis finding process, in which determinations are made regarding Section 4(f) resources when no adverse effects would occur. De minimis impacts are defined as those that do not adversely affect the activities, features, and attributes for which the property qualifies as a Section 4(f) resource.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show the project will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains why is called an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Draft Section 4(f) De Minimis Evaluation. This notice is to inform you of the preparation of the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Draft Section 4(f) De Minimis Evaluation and of its availability for you to read and comment on. This notice also offers you an opportunity to request a virtual public meeting.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Draft Section 4(f) De Minimis Evaluation and other project information is available for review and copying at the Caltrans District 5 Office at 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, California 93401, on weekdays, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The document is also available online at the Caltrans District 5 website: https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-5/district-5-current-projects/05-1k880

Paper copies of the document can be provided upon request.

WHERE YOU COME IN?

Do you have any comments about processing the project with an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Section 4(f) De Minimis Evaluation? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? Would you like a virtual public meeting? Please submit your comments or requests for a virtual public meeting in writing by U.S. Mail or email no later than midnight on June 2, 2025, to Caltrans, Attention: Dianna Beck, Department of Transportation, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, California 93401, or at dianna.beck@dot. ca.gov. The date Caltrans began accepting comments was May 1, 2025. If there are no major comments or requests for a virtual public meeting, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT

For more information about this project, please contact Senior Environmental Scientist Dianna Beck at 805-459-9406 or by email at dianna.beck@dot.ca.gov. You may also contact Project Manager Mark Leichtfuss by email at mark.leichtfuss@dot.ca.gov or call 805-441-0125. For all other state highway matters in the area, please contact the District 5 Public Information Office by email at info-d5@dot.ca.gov or call 805-549-3138.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, individuals who require accommodation (American Sign Language Interpreter, accessible seating, documents in alternative formats, etc.) are requested to contact the Caltrans District 5 Public Information Office at 805-549-3138 or by email at info-d5@dot.ca.gov. Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service line at 1-800-735-2929, Voice Line at 1-800-735-2922, or contact the California Relay Service Teletype Voice Line by dialing 711.

Comments will be accepted from May 1 to June 2, 2025.

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