



PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Announcement of a Hybrid Public Meeting Alamo Pintado Bridge Replacement Project

(Study Results Available)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Comments will be accepted from July 16th to August 15th. If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

WHEN AND WHERE?

Hybrid Public Meeting

Date: August 7, 2025

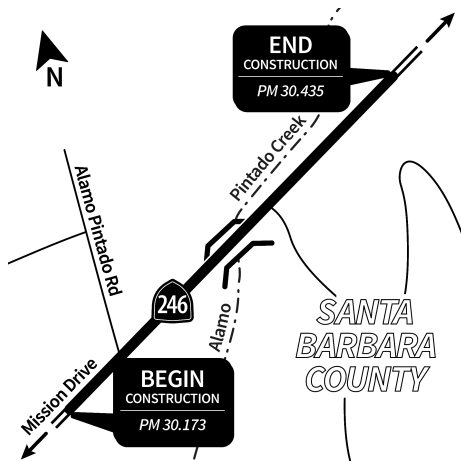
Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Where: City of Solvang
Council Chamber, 1644 Oak
Street, Solvang, CA 93463

Virtual Meeting Link: <https://cadot.webex.com/cadot/j.php?MTID=m5fe999b4b3b111806567035855931809>

Meeting Number: 2490 739 8201

Meeting Password: alamopintado



WHAT'S BEING PLANNED?

This project, located in Santa Barbara County on State Route 246 from post miles 30.173 to 30.435, proposes to replace the Alamo Pintado Bridge (Bridge Number 51-0130), which is rated scour critical. The scope of work includes installing straight abutment walls under the bridge, placing rock slope protection to protect the abutments, road embankment, and nearby existing infrastructure, and upgrading four existing outdated Americans with Disabilities Act curb ramps at the Alamo Pintado Road intersection. The proposed bridge work includes building a 14-foot-wide Class 1 Bikeway (multi-use path) with a 2-foot-wide barrier separating the path and the travelway. A retaining wall is proposed on the northeast side of the bridge, connecting the new Class 1 Bikeway to the existing one and allowing continuous travel to the Alamo Pintado Road intersection.

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 after mitigation. The report that explains why is called an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration. This notice is to inform you of the preparation of the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigation Negative Declaration and of its availability for you to read and comment on. A hybrid public meeting will be held to give you an opportunity to talk about certain design features of the project with Caltrans' staff before the final design is selected.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration 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 on the Caltrans District 5 project page (<https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near->

[me/district-5/district-5-current-projects/05-1m420](https://dot.ca.gov/district-5/district-5-current-projects/05-1m420)). Paper copies of the document can be provided upon request.

WHERE DO YOU COME IN?

Do you have any comments about processing the project with an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? 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? Please submit your comments in writing by U.S. Mail or email no later than August 15th, to Caltrans Environmental Planning, Attention: Dianna Beck, Department of Transportation, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, California 93401, or by email to dianna.beck@dot.ca.gov. The date Caltrans will begin accepting comments on July 16th, 2025. You can also submit comments at the hybrid public meeting. If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT

For more information about this project, please contact Dianna Beck, Senior Environmental Scientist, at 805-459-9406 or by email at dianna.beck@dot.ca.gov, or David Emerson, Project Manager, at 805-748-1315 or by email at david.emerson@dot.ca.gov. For all other state highway matters in the area, please contact the Caltrans District 5 Public Information Office at 805-549-3138 or by email at info-d5@dot.ca.gov.

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.