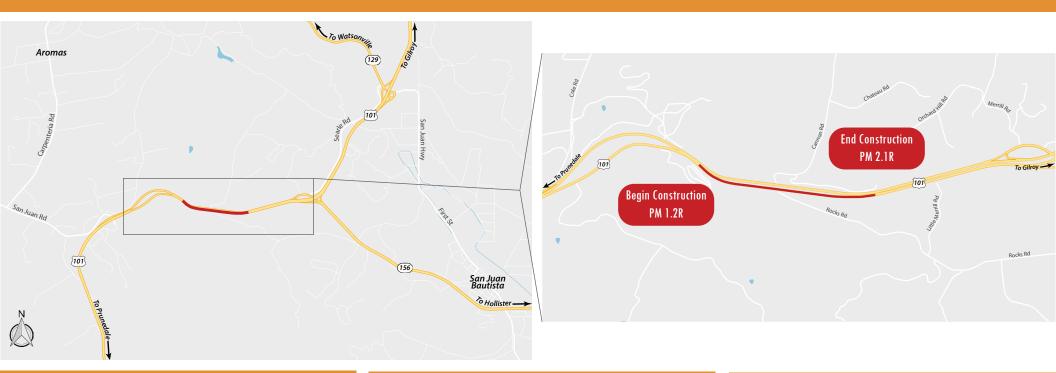
Highway 101 Rocks Road Tree Removal San Benito County - Highway 101 - Post Mile 1.2R/2.1R



Description

Caltrans proposes to enhance safety for the traveling public on US 101 near Rocks Road in San Benito County. An Arborist has assessed the condition of the grove of Blue Gum Eucalyptus trees (Eucalyptus globulus) growing within both the northbound and southbound highway roadsides and in the median. Approximately 200 trees that are in declining health or that exhibit structural weakness or imbalance will be cut down.

After the trees are cut, the stumps will be ground out and/or treated with herbicide to prevent re-growth. The trees identified for removal are scattered throughout the grove; the entire grove will not be removed. The scope of the project also includes replacement planting with more appropriate trees and shrubs.

Purpose & Need

The purpose of this project is to enhance public safety by reducing the potential for tree debris and unhealthy trees to fall in the roadway and to protect Caltrans maintenance workers by reducing the frequency of their exposure to high speed vehicle traffic during required maintenance activities.

Current Schedule

Approve Proj Initiation Doc. - Complete Approve Proj. Report & Environ. Doc. - Spring 2024 100% Design Completion - Summer 2024 Begin Construction - Fall 2024 End Construction - Winter 2024

Funding Source

Fund Source - SHOPP Construction Capital Estimate - \$2,600,000 Right of Way Capital Estimate - \$10,000

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