

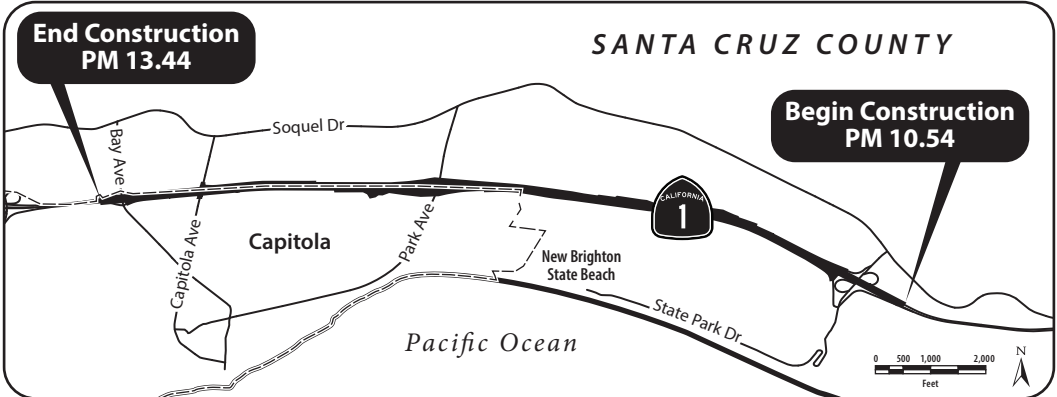


PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment and Announcement of Open Forum Public Hearing

SR 1 State Park to Bay/Porter Auxiliary Lane Project in Santa Cruz County



PUBLIC HEARING

Date: Tuesday, December 8, 2020
 Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
 Place: Link to virtual meeting is located at:
<https://sccrtc.org/projects/streets-highways/hwy1corridor/>

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

A Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment is now available for public review and comment.

Comment Deadline: January 11, 2021

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

Caltrans, in association with the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission, proposes improvements along State Route 1 in the City of Capitola and Santa Cruz County. Proposed improvements include the construction of auxiliary lanes, implementation of bus-on-shoulder operations, replacement of the Capitola Avenue overcrossing in the City of Capitola, construction of a pedestrian and bicycle overcrossing at Mar Vista Drive, and the installation of sound walls.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effect this project may have on the environment and prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report/ Environmental Assessment that identifies the project's potential impacts and potential avoidance, minimization and mitigation measures. The project has the potential to result in significant impacts that can be mitigated to less than significant to biological resources and geology and soils. The project has the potential to result in significant and unavoidable impacts to aesthetics and transportation under the California Environmental Quality Act. This notice is to tell you of the availability of the draft environmental document for you to read and review, and the opportunity to provide comments. A virtual public hearing will be held to give you the opportunity to learn more about the project and to talk with Caltrans staff before the final design is selected.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE

The Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment and other project information are available for review and copying at the County of Santa Cruz Public Works office (4th floor) at 701 Ocean Street in Santa Cruz, CA 95060. The document is also available at the Caltrans Midway Office at 2885 South Higuera Street in San Luis Obispo; online at the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation District Office website: <https://sccrtc.org/projects/streets-highways/hwy1corridor/>; and online at the Caltrans District 5 website: <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-5>.

WHERE YOU COME IN

Do you believe the project's potential impacts have been adequately addressed by the draft environmental document? Do you have additional information that should be included? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? Please submit your comments in writing by U.S. Mail no later than January 11, 2021 to Lara Bertaina, Department of Transportation, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401, or lara.bertaina@dot.ca.gov.

You may also submit comments at the virtual public hearing on December 8, 2020.

After considering and replying to comments on the draft environmental document, Caltrans will make a decision on the project and proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT

For more information about this project or about the meeting, please contact Lara Bertaina, Senior Environmental Planner, at (805) 542-4610 or lara.bertaina@dot.ca.gov. For other transportation matters, please call the District 5 Public Affairs Office at (805) 549-3318

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

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