
PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF FRESNO
NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL FINDING

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:

Peach Avenue Widening between Jensen and Butler Avenues Project. The project encompasses an approximately 1.57-mile segment of Peach Avenue in southeast Fresno. The segment extends from Butler Avenue on the north to a point approximately 730 feet south of Jensen Avenue on the south. The entire road segment is within with the City of Fresno except the portion south of Jensen Avenue, which is within the County of Fresno. The City proposes to construct improvements in the county area to allow a safe transition of Peach Avenue from a four-lane arterial street north of Jensen Avenue to a two-lane street south of Jensen Avenue.

The project would result in the improvement of Peach Avenue to the City's arterial street standard. Peach Avenue would have curb, gutter, and sidewalks; bike lanes; four travel lanes; protected left-turn lanes; and landscaped median islands. The project includes a new traffic signal at Peach and Hamilton Avenues and modifications to existing traffic signals, Fresno Irrigation District facilities, and the railroad crossing on the California Avenue alignment.

In order to widen Peach Avenue to a four-lane arterial street, the City must acquire or obtain by dedication additional land along segments of the road where the existing public right-of-way is too narrow to accommodate the proposed arterial street improvements.

The City of Fresno has conducted an Initial Study of the above-described project and it has been determined to be a subsequent project that is not fully within the scope of the Master Environmental Impact Report SCH No. 2012111015 (MEIR) prepared for the Fresno General Plan. Therefore, the Department of Public Works recommends the adoption a Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project.

The proposed project and environmental finding will be considered by the Fresno City Council on Thursday, December 12, 2019 in the Fresno City Hall Council Chambers, 2600 Fresno Street, Fresno, California at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible.

Additional information on the proposed project, including the proposed environmental finding of a Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Initial Study may be obtained from the Department of Public Works, Engineering Services Division, Fresno City Hall, 2600 Fresno Street, 4th Floor, Fresno, California 93721-3604. Please contact Han Ngo, P.E., at (559) 621-8701 for more information.

ANY INTERESTED PERSON may comment on the proposed environmental finding. Comments must be in writing and must state (1) the commentor's name and address; (2) the commentor's interest in, or relationship to, the project; (3) the environmental

determination being commented upon; and (4) the specific reason(s) why the proposed environmental determination should or should not be made. Any comments may be submitted at any time between the publication date of this notice and close of business on **November 27, 2019**. Please direct comments to Han Ngo, Professional Engineer, Department of Public Works, Engineering Services Division, Fresno City Hall, 2600 Fresno Street, Room 4016, Fresno, California, 93721-3604; or by email to Han.Ngo@fresno.gov; or comments can be sent by facsimile to (559) 488-1045.