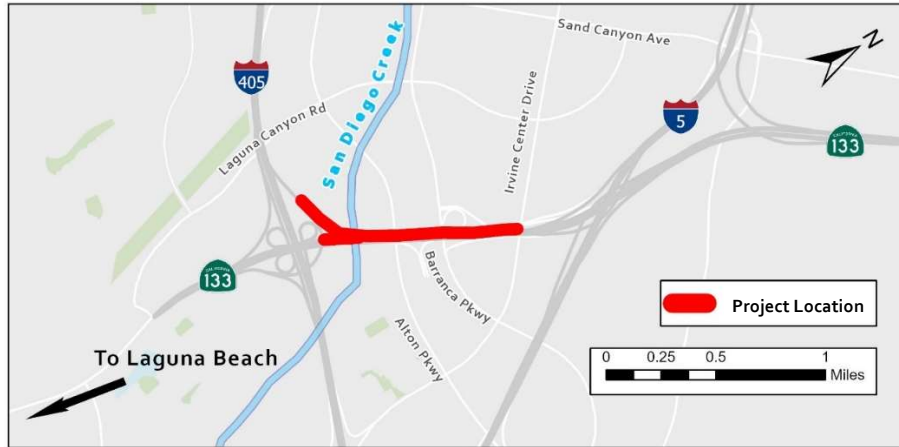




# Public Notice

State Route 133 Operational Improvements Project  
Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated *Negative Declaration*  
Notice of Availability of an Initial Study and Section 4(f) De Minimis Finding  
Study results available



## WHAT'S BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to construct new auxiliary lane on Southbound SR-133 between Route 133/405 Connector and Irvine Center Drive in the City of Irvine. The purpose of the project is to improve traffic flow, provide additional vehicular storage, and shorten the queue length of vehicles. Currently in the environmental document and preliminary engineering process, there is One Build alternative that is being considered as well as a No-Build Alternative.

## WHY THIS AD?

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. The studies show it will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains why is called an Initial Study. This notice is to tell you of the preparation of the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and Initial Study plus a Section 4(f) De Minimis Finding and of its availability for your review. There will be an option for the opportunity for a public hearing (open house format) to talk about certain design features of the project with Caltrans' staff before the final design is selected.

## WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Proposed MND and IS and Section 4(f) De Minimis are available for review and copying for a fee at the Caltrans District 12 Office, 1750 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 100, Santa Ana, CA 92705, on weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Proposed MND and IS and Section 4(f) De Minimis Finding are also available for review at the following locations during normal business hours:

- OC Library-Heritage Park Regional Branch, 14361 Yale, Irvine, CA 92604

In addition, project information is available online at: <https://www.dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-12/district-12-programs/district-12-environmental/sr-133-operational-improvements>

## WHERE YOU COME IN?

Do you have any comments about processing the project with a Proposed MND and IS? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Proposed MND or Section 4(f) De Minimis Finding? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the IS? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? Would you like a public hearing?

**Public Comment Period: January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Please submit your comments in writing no later than 5:00 pm, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to Bahar Heydari Associate Environmental Planner, Caltrans District 12, Division of Environmental Analysis, 1750 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 100, Santa Ana, CA 92705 or via e-mail to [D12.SR133OperationsProject@dot.ca.gov](mailto:D12.SR133OperationsProject@dot.ca.gov). The date we will begin accepting comments **January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020**. If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

Individuals who require special accommodation (American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating, documentation in alternate formats, etc.) are requested to contact the District 12 Public Affairs Office at (657) 328-6000 at least 21 days prior to the scheduled hearing date. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service TDD line at 1-800-735-2929 or Voice Line at 1-800-735-2922.

## CONTACT?

**Should a public hearing be requested:** Individuals who require special accommodation (American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating, documentation in alternate formats, etc.) are requested to contact the District 12 public Affairs Office at (657) 328-6000 at least 21 days prior to the scheduled hearing date. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service TDD line at 1 (800) 735-2929 or Voice Line at 1 (800) 735-2922. For more information about this study or any other transportation matter, call Justin Lesniewski at District 12's Public Information Office at (657) 328-6594 or e-mail at [Justin.Lesniewski@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Justin.Lesniewski@dot.ca.gov)