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Sample Summary for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH # _____

Lead Agency: Caltrans

Project Title: Ranchos Rehab Project

Project Location: N/A (*City*) Madera (*County*)

Please provide a Project Decription (Proposed Actions, location, and/or consequences).

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to rehabilitate State Route 41 between Avenue 15 and State Route 145 (post miles 6.3 to 9.2) in Madera County. The project would reconstruct the two-lane conventional highway including widening the bridge over the Madera Canal and mainline to achieve standard shoulder width, replacing and/or adding culverts and raising the profile of the highway as needed to prevent flooding.

Please identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The proposed project would have no significantly adverse effect on biological resources (California tiger salamander and vernal pool fairy shrimp, and designated critical habitats for hairy Orcutt grass, San Joaquin Valley Orcutt grass, and succulent (fleshy) owl's clover, vernal pool fairy shrimp) and a cultural resource (prehistoric archaeological site) because the following mitigation measures would reduce potential effects to insignificance:

- Permanent impacts to vernal pool fairy shrimp habitat and upland habitat for California tiger salamander will be compensated for at a 3:1 ratio.
- Permanent impacts to temporary aquatic habitat for the California tiger salamander will be compensated at 0.5:1 ratio.
- Temporary impacts to vernal pool fairy shrimp habitat will be compensated for at a 0.5:1 ratio.
- Indirect impacts to vernal pool fairy shrimp habitat and to temporary aquatic habitat for the California tiger salamander will be compensated at a 0.75:1 ratio.
- Temporary impacts to upland habitat for the California tiger salamander will be compensated through the collection of duff in the cut and fill areas of the project footprint followed by broadcast seeding of duff material (along with compost and hydroseed) in the proposed right-of-way prior to completion of construction activities.
- Adverse effects to the prehistoric site, CA-MAD 1503, will be mitigated through Phase 3 data recovery.

If applicable, please describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

No areas of controversy are known at this time.

Please provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

CTC, CDFW, Regional Water Quality Board, San Joaquin Valley Air Quality Board.