

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: State Route 217 San Jose Creek Bridge Replacement

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Project Location: Goleta
City

Santa Barbara
County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

Caltrans proposes to replace the existing State Route 217 San Jose Creek Bridge (Bridge # 51-0217) with a two-span bridge structure that would accommodate multimodal traffic. The proposed project is located in Santa Barbara County on Route 217 from postmile 0.9 to 1.4. Within the project limits, Route 217 is a conventional expressway with two lanes in each direction. The project is located in a rural environment, consisting of utility, recreational, and residential land uses. The existing bridge structure has been found to contain reactive aggregate in the concrete, which compromises the bridge's structural integrity. The outside shoulder widths do not meet current standards. The new bridge would be 213.6 feet long and 105 feet wide. It would reduce the number of bents in the streambed from 6 to 1 and spans from 7 to 2. Reducing the number of spans would result in longer span lengths and increases the deck depth from 1.5 feet (existing) to 4.75 feet (proposed). Due to the slightly higher profile, the bike and pedestrian path next to the bridge would need to be slightly realigned. The new bridge would be located at existing location and would meet current Caltrans design standards. It would meet FEMA floodway requirements and include features to allow the structure to be raised in the future to address sea level rise. The project would involve barrier work, aesthetic treatments, landscaping, roadway work, pile driving for temporary work platforms, temporary traffic control, and drainage improvements. Pile driving, subject to biological monitoring, would be limited to no more than 200 strikes per day and prohibited at night.

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

Caltrans expects the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment. The project would result in temporary and permanent impacts to biological resources that will be avoided and mitigated to less than significant levels. The project will use the minimum area necessary to complete construction in order to preserve as much of the existing biological resources as feasible. Prior to and during project construction, any identified environmentally sensitive area will be protected and all construction activities will avoid impacting environmentally sensitive areas. A biological monitor will be assigned to the project site during construction activities. The project will implement all protective measures set forth in the Natural Environmental Study, which includes protective measures for protected species that have the potential of occurring within the project area, and have the potential to be affected by the proposed project. Any additional protective measures for environmental resources set forth in project permits will be implemented. The project will delineate any environmentally sensitive areas that will need to be avoided during construction. Caltrans standard construction measures will be utilized to ensure that environmental resources will not be affected by construction activities. All disturbed construction access, staging, and other temporary use areas shall be restored to pre-disturbed conditions at end of construction.

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

None.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

National Marine Fisheries Service

Regional Water Quality Control Board

California Department of Fish and Wildlife

California Coastal Commission