



PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (Study Results Available) and Opportunity for a Public Hearing

Do you want a public hearing on changes proposed for the Panoche Capital Preventive Maintenance Project on Interstate 5 in Fresno County?

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Comments will be accepted from
July 15, 2020 to August 14, 2020.

If there are no major comments or requests for a public hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to rehabilitate and resurface the northbound and southbound mainlines, shoulders, and the on-ramp and off-ramp on Interstate 5 in Fresno County. Caltrans would also install rumble strips and upgrade guardrail systems, drainage systems, dikes, road signs, lighting, and intelligent transportation system elements for the capital preventive maintenance project. The project would begin 1.9 miles north of the Three Rocks Road undercrossing and end 0.2 mile south of the Panoche Road overcrossing. Work would start on post mile 37.00 and end on post mile 49.20.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show it will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. This notice is to inform you that an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the project and will be available for you to read and comment on. This notice also offers you the opportunity to request a public hearing.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

Beginning on July 15, 2020, the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will be available for review and copying at the Caltrans District 6 Office at 1352 West Olive Avenue, Fresno, California 93728 on weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will also be available for your review at the following locations:

- Online at: <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-6>
- Mendota Branch Library at 1246 Belmont Avenue, Mendota, California 93640

WHERE DO YOU COME IN?

Do you have any comments about processing the project with an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? Would you like a public hearing? Please submit your written comments by U.S. mail or by email no later than August 14, 2020, to Caltrans Environmental Planning, Attention: Som Phongsavanh, Senior Environmental Planner, 855 M Street, Suite 200, Fresno, California, 93721, or by email at som.phongsavanh@dot.ca.gov. The date Caltrans will begin accepting comments is July 15, 2020. If there are no major comments or requests for a public hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT

For more information about this project, please contact Mary Wiley, Project Manager, at 559-243-3432 or by email at jeannie.wiley@dot.ca.gov. You can also contact Som Phongsavanh, Senior Environmental Planner, at 559-445-6447 or by email at som.phongsavanh@dot.ca.gov. For all other state highway matters, please contact the District 6 Public Affairs Office at D6.Public.Info@dot.ca.gov or by phone at 559-488-4067.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Under the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, individuals who require accommodation (American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating, documents in alternative formats, etc.) are requested to contact the Caltrans District 6 Public Affairs Office at D6.Public.Info@dot.ca.gov or by phone at 559-488-4067. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service TDD and/or Voice Line at 1-800-735-2929, or 711.

