

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Guadalupe River Bridge Replacement Project

Lead Agency: Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board

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Project Location: San José

City

Santa Clara

County

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

Caltrain operates on two tracks over the Guadalupe River in San José. The northbound track is on a wooden trestle bridge constructed in 1935 and the southbound track is on a concrete bridge constructed in 1990. The bridges are located in an area of high erosion and are at risk of bank failure during storm events. Riverbank failures have occurred in prior year requiring emergency measures. To address safety issues and protect the bridges, the 187-foot northbound bridge will be replaced with a new, 265-foot concrete bridge; the southbound bridge extended by 90 feet; and the channel widened by approximately 75 feet to create a connection to the existing Santa Clara Valley Water District's Reach 6 Bypass channel which exists downstream of the project. Construction of the project is estimated to take approximately two years and is expected to begin in 2022.

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

The Project has the potential to result in temporary construction impacts to biological resources in the Guadalupe River and adjacent riparian areas, including special-status species; riparian habitat and other sensitive natural communities; wetlands; and ordinance trees. However, impacts to biological resources will be less than significant with incorporation of the mitigation measures incorporated in the Project and discussed in the Draft IS/MND. These mitigation measures include limiting the in-channel work window for dewatering to the time when special-status fish species are unlikely to be present (June 15- October 15), fish relocation measures, per-construction species surveys and biological monitoring measures, implementation of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan and implementation of a Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring Plan, among other measures. The Project will widen the channel and lengthen the rail bridges, and, as such, will reduce scour and bank failure risks. Therefore, in the long term, the Project will have a beneficial impact on biological resources.

The Project also has the potential to result in temporary construction noise impacts and incorporates several measures to mitigate temporary construction noise to a less than significant level. These measures include a construction noise control plan, temporary construction noise barriers and a community outreach program.

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

N/A- there are no known areas of controversy

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

Trustee Agency: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Responsible Agencies: San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Clara Valley Water District, Caltrans District 4