



CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY  
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A  
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Notice is hereby given that the City of Cathedral City, as Lead Agency, has completed an Initial Study for the Date Palm Drive Bicycle Lane and Sidewalk Improvements Project. The project would add a third northbound through lane, bicycle lane, and sidewalk along Date Palm Drive between Highway 111 and Perez Road. The existing bridge over the North Cathedral Canyon Flood Control Channel would consequently need to be widened by approximately 11 feet. Project construction would begin in 2022 with a duration of approximately 9 months. The Project is located along a 0.3-mile segment of Date Palm Drive in the City of Cathedral City, California 92234.

This Initial Study was completed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This Initial Study was undertaken for the purpose of deciding whether the project may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of such Initial Study, City Staff has determined that the project will have a significant effect on the environment, but with the implementation of mitigation measures, impacts will be reduced to less than significant levels, and has, therefore, prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Initial Study reflects the independent judgment of the City. The site is not known to be on the Hazardous Waste list compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

Copies of the application materials, Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) are on file and available for public review with the Planning Department, City Hall, 68700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero, Cathedral City, CA 92234. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, City offices are closed to the general public. Please contact the Planning Department at (760)770-0340 during office hours, Monday-Thursday (8:00 am – 5:00 pm), to determine options for reviewing or obtaining copies of the documents. A digital copy of the IS/MND is available for public review on the City's website ([www.cathedralcity.gov](http://www.cathedralcity.gov)).

The public review period for this Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration will be from March 1, 2021 through March 30, 2021. Any person wishing to comment on this matter must submit such comments in writing during the review period. Comments of all Responsible Agencies are also requested. Please submit responses to:

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The Planning Commission will consider the project and the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration at a public hearing. This matter has been tentatively scheduled for the September 2, 2020 Planning Commission meeting. If the Planning Commission finds that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, it will adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

