



PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Document

South Lake Tahoe Safety Project



WHAT'S BEING PLANNED

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to improve the South Lake Tahoe Safety Project on US 50 in El Dorado County from post mile 75.4 to 80.1. This project proposes to improve roadway lighting and implement a complete street vision for the corridor by installing a green bike lane treatment and enhanced visibility crosswalk. The project will also improve bicycle signage throughout the project limit and install a two-stage turn queue box for bike turning movement at multiple locations for additional bicycle safety.

The proposed work includes installing pedestrian signals at mid-block crossings between Truckee Road and River Drive (PM 76.3), between Brockway Avenue and Blue Lake Avenue (PM 77.0), and between Herbert Avenue and Ski Run Boulevard (PM 79.1). A full signalized intersection will be installed at Johnson Avenue (PM 78.8).

WHY THIS 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 with proposed avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures. This notice is provided to inform the public of the availability of the Draft IS/ND for review and comment. Caltrans encourages community members to learn about the project features, share information and contribute valuable input for this project.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The environmental document, referred to as the Draft Initial Study (IS)/Negative Declaration (ND) will be available for review from **March 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021** at Caltrans District 3 Office of Environmental Management, 703 B Street, Marysville, CA 95901

The document is also available on the web at: <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-3/d3-programs/d3-environmental/d3-environmental-docs> or available upon request by emailing the address listed below.

Additional copies of this document are also available for review at the following location:

El Dorado County Library - South Lake Tahoe Branch

1000 Rufus Allen Blvd

South Lake Tahoe CA, 96150

CALL-IN SESSIONS:

Call-in session appointments will be provided on the dates and times listed below. These sessions will be scheduled for a half hour in duration. To request a call-in a session, please call 530-741-5532, and a staff member will follow up to confirm your call-in meeting date and time.

- 11:00 am to 7:00 pm – March 8, March 10, March 15, March 17
- 8:00 am to 5:00 pm – March 9, March 11, March 16, March 18

WHERE YOU COME IN

We'd like to hear what you think. Please submit your written comments via postal mail to:

California Department of Transportation
Environmental Management M3 Branch
703 B Street | Marysville, CA 95901
Attn: South Lake Tahoe Safety Project

Comments may also be submitted via email to South.Lake.Tahoe.Safety.Project@dot.ca.gov

All comments must be received by March 31, 2021. Following the public and agency review and comment period, if there are no major comments, and the project is given environmental approval and funding is obtained, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT

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