



## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT INITIAL STUDY WITH PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PLACER-49 SAFETY BARRIER PROJECT NORTH OF AUBURN IN PLACER COUNTY

**WHAT IS PLANNED**

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes a project on State Route (SR) 49 in Placer County, north of Auburn from (Post Mile [PM]) R8.7 to R10.6. This project proposes to construct a concrete median barrier on SR 49, between Lorensen Road/Florence Lane and Lone Star Road to reduce the number and severity of cross median collisions within this segment. In addition, construction of traffic features at Lorensen Road/Florence Lane and Lone Star Road intersections are proposed to accommodate U-turn movements for out-of-direction travel resulting from the construction of the concrete median barrier.

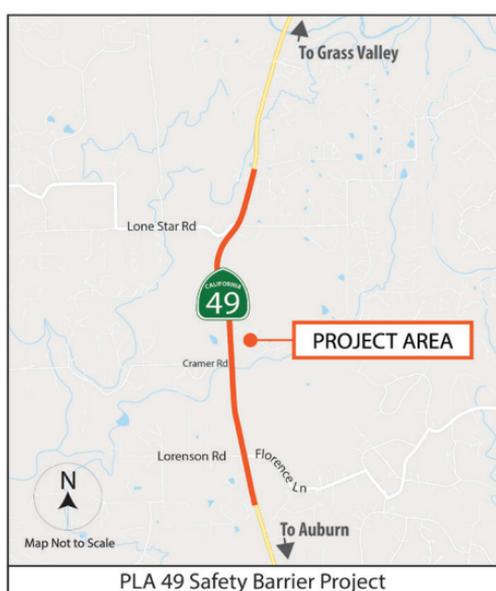
**INVITING PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

Community members are encouraged to learn about the proposed project & contact Caltrans if you have any comments or questions.

**WHAT'S AVAILABLE**

The environmental document, referred to as the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, will be available for public review from **May 19, 2021** to **June 17, 2021**. Please submit your comments by **June 17, 2021**. The document is available at the following locations:

- Caltrans District 3  
703 B Street  
Marysville, CA 95901
- Auburn Library  
350 Nevada Street  
Auburn, CA 95603
- Grass Valley Library  
207 Mill Street  
Grass Valley, CA 95945
- Madelyn Helling Library  
980 Helling Way  
Nevada City, CA 95959
- Nevada County Offices (Main Lobby)  
950 Maidu Avenue  
Nevada City, CA 95959



The document will also be available on the web at: <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-3/d3-programs/d3-environmental-planning/d3-environmental-docs>

Caltrans is committed to the safety and well-being of our community members, employees and their families. In light of the developments regarding COVID-19 and Governor Newsom's guidance regarding public gatherings, we are proposing a virtual open house event intended for community members to view displays, review and comment on the environmental document and speak with Caltrans staff members about the project. To keep the public informed, the virtual open house will be held on **Wednesday, May 26, 2021** from **6 p.m. to 7 p.m.**

Public members may join the event from a computer, mobile device or telephone.

**WebEx**

- Log in to view the virtual presentation at <https://bit.ly/3fc7IJm>; a WebEx account is not required.
  - ▶ Meeting number 187 146 3469; passcode **safetybarrier**
- Listen in by phone at 1-408-418-9388. Please enter meeting number 187 146 3469##
  - ▶ WebEx phone attendees will not be able to view the presentation and will remain muted.
  - ▶ Those wishing to ask questions are advised to utilize the conference call option.

**Conference Call**

- Connect directly with a Caltrans staff member by dialing 1-888-570-6350, participant code 4170217.
  - ▶ Please note that you will not be able to view the presentation or interact with presenters. A Caltrans staff member will be available to pass along any questions or comments.

Community members will be able to ask questions or submit questions/concerns via email or postal mail.

**COMMENTS**

We welcome your comments.

**Postal Mail:**

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**All comments must be received by June 17, 2021.**

**SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS**

For individuals with sensory disabilities, this document can be made available in Braille, large print, audio, or computer disc. To obtain a copy in one of these alternative formats, please contact the Public Information Officer, Raquel Borrayo at (530) 701-5209, or use the California Relay Service TTY number, 1 (800) 735-2929.

**CONTACT**

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