

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Port of Stockton Rail Bridge Replacement and Rail Improvements Project

Lead Agency: Port of Stockton

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Project Location: Stockton San Joaquin
City *County*

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

The Port of Stockton (Port) is proposing to replace a functionally obsolete rail bridge and construct a new lead track to increase the overall efficiency of train operations within the Port. The proposed project includes replacing the obsolete rail bridge between the East and West Complexes with a new expanded rail bridge, constructing a new lead track and associated modifications to road underpasses and overpasses near the terminus of the Ort J. Lofthus Freeway, constructing a new rail underpass at Fresno Avenue, and constructing a new rail classification yard in the West Complex. Construction would occur over approximately 3 years and would be expected to begin in summer 2023.

The Port's proposed action under CEQA as lead agency is approval of the plan to replace the rail bridge and make the rail improvements required to increase the efficiency of Port train operations.

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

The proposed project would have no unmitigatable significant effects. The proposed project would have impacts that would be less than significant after mitigation on biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, and tribal cultural resources. Mitigation measures would be implemented for these resource topics, including the following: obtaining coverage under the SJMSCP or conducting wildlife surveys and establishing buffers; obtaining a NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit; limiting in-water construction to the established work window; employing a soft-start to pile driving; complying with in-water or riparian habitat work permit requirements; preparation of a Memorandum of Agreement with the State Historic Preservation Officer and implementation of Section 106-directed mitigation; stopping work if archaeological resources are encountered; Reclamation District coordination; geotechnical investigation and reinforcement measures in geologically vulnerable areas; and work restrictions near contaminated areas.

The proposed project would result in either no or less than significant impacts on the remaining resource topics evaluated under CEQA. The following additional mitigation measures would be implemented as part of the proposed project: equipment noise limitations, limitations on noisy stationary equipment and dozer and excavator, construction staging away from residences, development of a construction truck route map, use of quieter pile-driving technologies, and timing restrictions for pile driving.

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

The Port is aware of the public's general interest in Port operations, specifically related to air quality.

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

Responsible Agencies:

U.S. Coast Guard
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Office of Historic Preservation
California Department of Fish and Wildlife
California State Lands Commission
Central Valley Flood Protection Board
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
Reclamation District 403
Reclamation District 404
San Joaquin Council of Governments
City of Stockton Building Department
San Joaquin County Planning/Development Services Department

Trustee Agencies: None