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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

- Project Name:** City of Coalinga Trails Master Plan Segments 3, 4, and 9
- Lead Agency:** City of Coalinga
Planning Department
155 West Durian Avenue
Coalinga, California 93210
- Contact Person:** Sean Brewer
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- Project Location:** The project includes three proposed trail segments located in the city of Coalinga, Fresno County, California. Segment 3 would be located within an undeveloped former railroad corridor between East Walnut Avenue and East Cherry Lane, Segment 4 would be located within an undeveloped former railroad corridor between East Cherry Lane and South First Street, and Segment 9 would be located within an undeveloped property, connecting the intersection of Elm and Lucille Avenues to the west and the intersection of Pacific and Forest Streets to the east in the city of Coalinga.
- Project Sponsor:** City of Coalinga
Planning Department
155 West Durian Avenue
Coalinga, CA 93210
- Project Description:** The City of Coalinga (City) is proposing the design, construction, and operation of portions of three segments—Segments 3, 4, and 9—of the City’s planned 8.8-mile perimeter trail and spur system identified in the City’s Trails Master Plan (TMP) using Active Transportation Program (ATP) funding (proposed project). The proposed project would develop approximately 4,600 linear feet (0.87 mile) of a multi-use (vehicle-separated) loop-and-spur Class I bicycle/pedestrian trail in the city of Coalinga, Fresno County, California. Segment 3 would be located within an undeveloped former railroad corridor between East Walnut Avenue and East Cherry Lane, Segment 4 would be located within an undeveloped former railroad corridor between East Cherry Lane and South First Street, and Segment 9 would be located within an undeveloped property, connecting the intersection of Elm and Lucille Avenues to the west and the intersection of Pacific and Forest Streets to the east.
- The trails would be comprised of 10-foot-wide paved asphalt between 2 and 4 feet of decomposed granite shoulders. Trail segments would be constructed in north Coalinga from the City’s Sports Complex east to a former rail line terminating downtown at First Street and between Elm and Forest Avenues (south). The project would connect residents in Coalinga (and a disadvantaged census tract) to activity centers, such as schools, parks, a college, shopping, neighborhoods, and jobs. The project would provide a safe option to

enable increased bicycle/pedestrian transportation use. Increased active transportation would address health disparities in a community that faces higher than average California city rates of asthma, obesity, and heart disease.

Initial Study:

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) can be reviewed at the following web address: <https://www.coalinga.com/401/Current-Planning-Projects>.

Public Review:

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Coalinga has undertaken environmental review for the proposed City of Coalinga Trails Master Plan Segments 3, 4, and 9 Project and intends to adopt an IS/MND. The City of Coalinga invites all interested persons and agencies to comment on the proposed project.

A 30-day public comment period for this IS/MND begins on September 13, 2021 and ends on October 12, 2021. During this comment period, written comments regarding this project, the findings of the proposed IS/MND, and/or accuracy or completeness of the Initial Study, may be submitted to the City of Coalinga Planning Department (at the above address). A public hearing before the City of Coalinga City Council will be scheduled for a later date, to be determined and noticed separately. All hearings and meetings will be located in the City Hall Chambers, 155 West Durian Avenue, Coalinga, California 93210.