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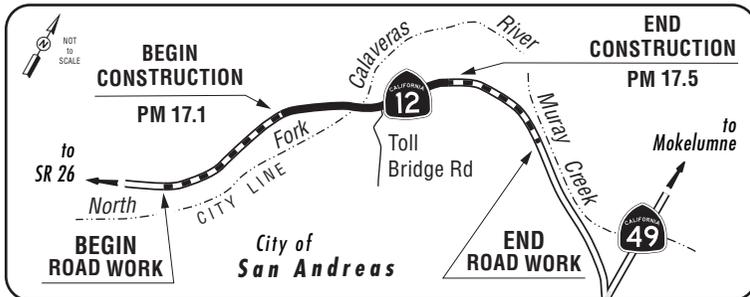
Notice of Intent to Adopt a MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION and OPPORTUNITY for a VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING

(Study Results Available)

Do you want a virtual public hearing on changes proposed for the Calaveras County Bridge Replacement Project in Calaveras County?

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Comments will be accepted from February 17, 2022 to March 18, 2022. If there are no major comments or requests for a virtual public meeting, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.



WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to replace the North Fork Calaveras River Bridge on an alternate alignment along State Route 12 in Calaveras County. The current bridge has above-average collision rates and nonstandard bridge railings, width, superelevation, and horizontal alignment. The proposed replacement bridge would have two 12-foot lanes, two 8-foot shoulders, and new bridge railings to meet current standards. The project would also involve roadway realignment next to the north side of the existing bridge and would correct the existing nonstandard horizontal roadway alignment at the west and east ends of the structure. The project is needed because the bridge has exceeded its design life expectancy and does not meet current standards.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show the project will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains why is called an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration. This notice is to inform you of the preparation of the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and of its availability for you to read and comment on. This notice also offers you an opportunity to request a virtual public hearing.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

You can view or obtain the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and other project information at:

- Caltrans District 10 Office at 1976 East Doctor Martin Luther King Junior Boulevard, Stockton, California 95205, weekdays, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Copies of the document are available at the Calaveras County Library - San Andreas Central Branch at 1299 Gold Hunter Road, San Andreas, California 95249, Monday and Wednesday, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- The document is also posted online on the Caltrans District 10 website: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/d10/projects.html>

WHERE YOU COME IN?

Do you have any comments about processing the project with an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? Would you like a virtual public hearing? Please submit your written comments or requests for a virtual public hearing by U.S. Mail or email no later than 3/18/2022, to Caltrans, Attention: Jaycee Azevedo, Senior Environmental Planner, 1976 East Doctor Martin Luther King Junior Boulevard, Stockton, California 95205, or at jaycee.azevedo@dot.ca.gov. When submitting comments to Caltrans, please use the following project identifier: 10-0X740. The date Caltrans will begin accepting comments is 2/17/2022. If there are no major comments or requests for a virtual public hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT

For more information about this project or to request an electronic or hard copy of the document, please contact Jaycee Azevedo, Senior Environmental Planner, at 1976 East Doctor Martin Luther King Junior Boulevard, Stockton, California 95205, by email at jaycee.azevedo@dot.ca.gov, or by phone at 209-992-9824. For other state highway matters, please visit the Caltrans District 10 website at <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-10> or contact the Caltrans District 10 Public Affairs Office at district10publicaffairs@dot.ca.gov or by phone at 209-948-7543.

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