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SCH #: _____

Project Title: State Route 247 pavement rehabilitation and shoulder widening

Lead Agency: Caltrans

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Project Location: Yucca Valley, San Bernardino County
City *County*

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

proposes to extend the life of the existing pavement and improve ride quality along State Route 247 from State Route 62 to 0.4 miles north of Gin Road in San Bernardino County. The scope of work consists of cold plane and overlay from post mile (PM) 0.0 to PM 23.0, shoulder widening to current standards from PM 20.3 to PM 23.0, culvert and drainage repairs and improvements, regradng of the roadway between PM 2.9 and PM 3.0, constructing rock slope protection (RSP) at PM 0.3, and installation of bicycle lane markings and signs from PM 1.6 to PM 23.0.

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

With the following mitigation measures incorporated, the proposed project would have less than significant effects to: Hazardous Waste/Materials, Wetlands and other Waters, and Threatened & Endangered Species: An Environmental Site Assessment for Aerially Deposited Lead, Lead Based Paint, and Asbestos will be performed to identify hazardous and potentially hazardous waste contamination within and adjacent to the project location. Hazardous Waste safety measures and notifications will be determined and included in proposed project activities. All staging, storing, and borrow sites require the approval of a biologist. If during project activities a western Joshua tree or a desert tortoise is discovered within the project site, all construction activities will stop and notification to agencies will occur. A biological resource information program for desert tortoise, BLM Sensitive species, and special-status invertebrates, plant, reptiles, birds, mammals, and bats will be in place for all personnel that will be present within the project limits. Invasive weed control treatment and disposal will be determined by a biologist. Preconstruction surveys for special-status plant species and/or rare insect host plants will be performed. If present they will be flagged, protected and/or avoided. Equipment will be checked for special status reptile species before operating. Measures to reduce the attractiveness of job sites to predators will be included that include trash control and construction personnel education. Rock slope protection will be partially filled with concrete grout or sand to protect desert tortoise. Any worker who observes desert tortoises within or near the job site found alive, injured, or dead during the implementation of the proposed project must provide immediate notification to agencies. Any desert tortoise translocation must follow the current FWS Biological Opinion guidelines, BLM guidance, and CDFW 2081 permit measures, as applicable.

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

No known controversy or issues raised by agencies or the public.

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

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