



PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (Study Results Available) and Opportunity for a Virtual Public Hearing

Do you want a virtual public hearing on changes proposed for the Stratford-Lemoore CAPM Project in Kings County?

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Comments will be accepted from **March 23, 2022, to April 21, 2022.**

If there are no major comments or requests for a virtual public hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED ?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to preserve and resurface the existing lanes of State Route 41, including three ramps in Kings County near Stratford from Nevada Avenue (post mile 28.4) to the State Route 41/State Route 198 Separation Bridge (post mile R39.8). This project would also repair and replace 12 culverts at various locations along State Route 41.

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 6 Office** at 1352 West Olive Avenue, Fresno, California 93728, weekdays, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Kings County Library (Lemoore Branch)**, 457 C Street, Lemoore, California 93245, Monday through Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Friday and Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Kings County Library (Stratford Branch)**, 20300 Main Street, Stratford, California 93266, Tuesday through Thursday, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- **Online** at <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-6/district-6-projects/06-0W820>

WHERE DO 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 comments or requests for a virtual public hearing in writing by U.S. Mail or email no later than **April 21, 2022**, to Caltrans, Attention: Juergen Vespermann, Senior Environmental Planner, District 6 Environmental Division, 2015 East Shields Avenue, Suite 100, Fresno, California 93726, or by email to Juergen.Vespermann@dot.ca.gov. The date Caltrans will begin accepting comments is **March 23, 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, please contact **Juergen Vespermann, Senior Environmental Planner**, at 559-832-0051 or by email at Juergen.Vespermann@dot.ca.gov. You may also contact **Project Manager Shavonne Conley** at 559-383-5609 or by email at Shavonne.Conley@dot.ca.gov. For all other state highway matters in the area, please contact the **District 6 Public Information Office** at 559-488-4067 or by email at D6.Public.Info@dot.ca.gov.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, individuals who require accommodation (American Sign Language Interpreter, accessible seating, documents in alternative formats, etc.) are requested to contact the Caltrans District 6 Public Information Office at 559-488-4067 or by email at D6.Public.Info@dot.ca.gov. Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service line at 1-800-735-2929, Voice Line at 1-800-735-2922, or contact the California Relay Service Teletype Voice Line by dialing 711.

