Print From

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

Form F

Lead agencies may include 15 hardcopies of this document when submitting electronic copies of Environmental Impact Reports, Negative Declarations, Mitigated Negative Declarations, or Notices of Preparation to the State Clearinghouse (SCH). The SCH also accepts other summaries, such as EIR Executive Summaries prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15123. Please include one copy of the Notice of Completion Form (NOC) with your submission and attach the summary to each electronic copy of the document.

SCH #: 2022050172

Project Title: I-5 Managed Lanes Project (Red Hill Avenue to Orange County/Los Angeles County Line)

Lead Agency: Caltrans District 12

Contact Name: Smita Deshpande, Senior Environmental Scientist

Email: smita.deshpande@dot.ca.gov Phone Number: (657) 328-6151

Project Location: Irvine, Tustin, Santa Ana, Orange, Anaheim, Fullerton, Buena Park, La Mirada, and Santa Fe Springs

City *County*

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

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 12 is proposing managed lanes improvements in both directions on Interstate (I) 5. The improvements would modify the existing high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes within the proposed Project limits to address HOV lane degradation and operational deficiencies. The proposed Project limits on I 5 extend from Red Hill Avenue (Post Mile [PM] 28.9) to the Orange County/Los Angeles (OC/LA) County line (12-ORA-5 PM 44.4) in the cities of Irvine, Tustin, Santa Ana, Orange, Anaheim, Fullerton, Buena Park, La Mirada, and Santa Fe Springs and include implementing associated signage (including advance signage on adjacent arterials) and tolling infrastructure. Four alternatives, including three Build Alternatives and the No Build Alternative, are under consideration.

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

The Build Alternatives would have no impact on agricultural and forest resources, mineral resources, population and housing, and recreation.

In addition, the Build Alternatives would have a less than significant impact on aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, energy, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, noise, public services, tribal and cultural resources, utilities and service systems, and wildfire.

The Alternatives 3 and 4 would have a less than significant impact with mitigation measure incorporated to paleontological resources (Measure PAL-1).

Even with implementation of mitigation measures T-1 through T-5, Alternative 4 would have a significant and unavoidable impact related to transportation (vehicle miles traveled [VMT]).

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 Draft EIR/EA will be released for a 45-day public circulation period from June 5, 2023 to July 20, 2023. During this time, feedback from stakeholder agencies and the public will be gathered regarding any questions related to the environmental analysis presented in the Draft EIR/EA. Two public hearings presented in an in-person and virtual format will also be held in order to capture any comments or concerns from the public regarding the proposed Project. Any areas of controversy regarding the environmental analysis presented in the Draft EIR/EA will be adequately addressed and formally addressed in the project's Final EIR/EA once it is prepared.

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

California Transportation Commission