

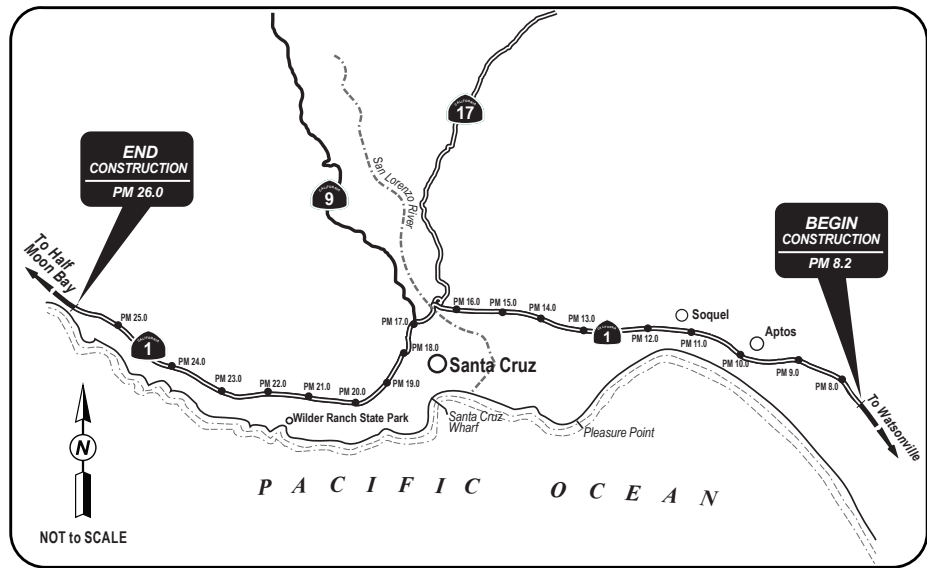


# PUBLIC NOTICE



## Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Opportunity to Request a Virtual Public Meeting

### State Route 1 Roadside Safety and Drainage Improvement Project in Santa Cruz County, California



#### WHAT IS BEING PLANNED ?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to improve roadside safety and drainages along State Route 1 in Santa Cruz County, California. The project spans from post mile 8.2 near Aptos, west along State Route 1, to post mile 26.0 near Laguna Creek. Caltrans proposes to restore 30 existing drainage culverts, improve 47 roadside safety locations by paving gore areas, rehabilitate 32 lighting elements, and install 12 traffic management systems including count stations and census loops. The area of potential impact includes culvert areas, gore areas, shoulder widening locations, lighting locations, and traffic counts and loops locations.

#### 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 meeting.

#### WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and other project information is available for review and copying at the Caltrans District 5 Office at 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, California 93401, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The document is also available online at (<https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-5>). Paper copies of the document can be provided upon request.

#### 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 to request a virtual public meeting? Please submit your comments or requests for a virtual public meeting in writing by U.S. Mail or email no later than **August 26, 2022**, to **Jason Wilkinson, California Department of Transportation, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, California 93401**, or by email to [jason.wilkinson@dot.ca.gov](mailto:jason.wilkinson@dot.ca.gov). Comments will be addressed in the final environmental document.

#### CONTACT

For more information about this project please contact the **District 5 Public Affairs Office at (805) 549-3318** or [info-d5@dot.ca.gov](mailto:info-d5@dot.ca.gov) or **Jason Wilkinson at (805) 540-9165** or [Jason.Wilkinson@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Jason.Wilkinson@dot.ca.gov).

#### SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

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