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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Santa Cruz Route 1 Drainage Improvements

Lead Agency: Caltrans

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Project Location: unincorporated Monterey County/ Watsonville, Santa Cruz County

City *County*

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

Caltrans proposes to improve existing drainage systems on State Route 1 in Santa Cruz County from post mile 0.0 to post mile 7.94. The project would involve drainage repair or drainage replacement at several locations where drainage structures are already in place. The project would also include improvements to roadway lighting, traffic monitoring, and maintenance access on State Route 1 from post mile 101.50 in Monterey County to post mile 7.94 in Santa Cruz County. Project activities would involve vegetation clearing, vegetation replanting, temporary construction activities, temporary staging sites, temporary traffic control, pavement repaving, and pavement restriping.

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

Avoidance, minimization and mitigation measures are included to protect nesting birds, the California red-legged frog, the Santa Cruz tarplant, and their associated habitats, including environmentally sensitive area fencing, replacement planting, restriction of vegetation removal during the typical nesting bird season, and more measures outlined in Section 2.1.4 Biological Resources of the environmental document.In accordance with the Federal Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Coverage under the Programmatic Biological Opinion for Projects Funded or Approved under the Federal Highway Administration's Federal Aid Program, the project would include all applicable measures from the Programmatic Biological Opinion designed to avoid or minimize impacts to California red-legged frogs.

The potential for visual impacts would be reduced with implementation of visual minimization measures, including preservation of existing vegetation where feasible, revegetation, aesthetic treatments for paving beyong the gore and traffic monitoring systems, and more measures outlined in Section 2.1.1 Aesthetics of the environmental document.

Temporary impacts associated with construction affecting water quality, air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, and wildland fires would not have significant effects due to the use of avoidance and minimization measures like implementation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan and ,California Division of Safety and Health – Fire Protection and Prevention Guidance, construction Best Management Practices and Standard Measures included in all projects.

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

none

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

California Transportation Commission