



# CITY OF COALINGA

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### PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

- Project Name:** City of Coalinga Trails Master Plan Segments 1, 2, 13, and 14
- Lead Agency:** City of Coalinga  
Planning Division  
155 West Durian Avenue  
Coalinga, California 93210
- Contact Person:** Sean Brewer  
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- Project Location:** The project includes four proposed trail segments located in the city of Coalinga, Fresno County, California.
- Project Sponsor:** City of Coalinga  
Planning Division  
155 West Durian Avenue  
Coalinga, CA 93210
- Project Description:** The City of Coalinga (City) is proposing the design, construction, and operation of portions of four segments (Segments 1 [portion], 2, 13, and 14) of the City's planned 8.8-mile perimeter trail and spur system identified in the City's Trails Master Plan using Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funding (proposed project). The proposed project would develop approximately 10,520 linear feet (1.97 miles) of a multi-use (vehicle separated) loop-and-spur Class I bicycle/pedestrian trail in the city of Coalinga, Fresno County, California. Segment 1 (portion) would run along the north side of Phelps Avenue between the Coalinga Regional Medical Center and Posa Chanet Boulevard. Segment 2 would parallel Segment 1 in northeastern Coalinga along the south side of Los Gatos Creek. Segment 13 would run along an existing City maintenance road located on top of a berm north of Cambridge Avenue. Segment 14 would run along an existing maintenance road and behind a City park, connecting Segments 2 and 13 adjacent to the Coalinga Sports Complex in northern Coalinga. The proposed staging area would be within a vacant, undeveloped, disturbed lot located southeast of the intersection of Elm Avenue and Phelps Avenue (Figure 1).
- The trails would consist of 10-foot-wide paved asphalt pathways bordered by 2 to 4 feet of decomposed granite shoulders. The proposed project would connect residents in Coalinga (and a disadvantaged census tract) to activity centers such as schools, parks, a college, shopping, neighborhoods, and jobs. The project would provide a safe option to enable increased bicycle/pedestrian transportation use. Increased active transportation would address health disparities in a community that faces higher-than-average California city rates of asthma, obesity, and heart disease.

**Initial Study:**

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) can be reviewed at the following web address: <https://www.coalinga.com/401/Current-Planning-Projects>.

**Public Review:**

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Coalinga has undertaken environmental review for the proposed City of Coalinga Trails Master Plan Segments 1, 2, 13, and 14 Project and intends to adopt an IS/MND. The City of Coalinga invites all interested persons and agencies to comment on the proposed project.

A 30-day public comment period for this IS/MND begins on October 24, 2022 and ends on November 22, 2022. During this comment period, written comments regarding this project, the findings of the proposed IS/MND, and/or accuracy or completeness of the Initial Study, may be submitted to the City of Coalinga Planning Division (at the above address). A public hearing before the City of Coalinga City Council will be scheduled for a later date, to be determined and noticed separately. All hearings and meetings will be located in the City Hall Chambers, 155 West Durian Avenue, Coalinga, California 93210.