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SCH #: _____

Project Title: 05-1N360; Big Creek to Carmel Drainage Restoration

Lead Agency: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

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Project Location: Near Carmel-By-The-Sea (*City*) Monterey County (*County*)

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

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to rehabilitate nine existing drainage systems at eight locations on State Route 1 in Monterey County. Existing drainage systems at the proposed locations have exceeded their design life and have deteriorated or failed. The project work includes replacing or rehabilitating existing culverts and replacing or upgrading end treatments and headwalls as needed.

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

With the incorporation of the mitigation measures listed below, the project would not have a significant effect on biological resources:

- To mitigate any impact on California red-legged frogs and their critical habitat, temporary impacts will be restored, and habitat conditions enhanced with native plantings.
- To mitigate any impact on California red-legged frogs and their critical habitat, permanent impacts to jurisdictional areas will be mitigated through the implementation of the Mitigation Monitoring Plan, including habitat restoration.
- To mitigate any impact on the Smith's blue butterfly, in the event of impacts to seacliff buckwheat removal outside of the maintenance buffer, buckwheat shall be replanted from seed or individual seedlings at the discretion of a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service-approved biologist. If seedlings are used, replace them at a 2-to-1 ratio. Establishment is defined as survival to the end of a five-year monitoring period. If buckwheat is replanted from seed, the total area occupied by buckwheat at the end of the 5-year monitoring period will be the same as the area of buckwheat plants removed (1-to-1 replacement ratio by area).
- To prevent a net loss of wetlands or another aquatic resource acreage, function, and value, onsite restoration and reestablishment are proposed at a 1-to-1 ratio (acreage) for temporary impacts and a 3-to-1 ratio (acreage) for permanent impacts.

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

There are no known areas of controversy for this project.

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

- Air Resources Board
- California Highway Patrol
- Fish & Game Region 4
- Department of Food & Agriculture
- Native American Heritage Commission
- Office of Historic Preservation
- Public Utilities Commission
- Regional WQCB Region 3
- State Water Resource Control Board
- California Transportation Commission