

# Appendix K

## Noise Calculations







# Traffic Noise Calculations

**Project Number:** Easley 7am-7pm 7pm-10pm 10pm-7am  
12 3 9  
**Model Description:** Reference Energy Mean Emission Levels (REMEL): originally from FHWA-RD-77-108  
 See Caltrans Technical Noise Supplement (TeNS 2013): Table 4-2  
**Model Assumptions:** no shielding, no barriers, no finite road adjustment  
 Peak Hour from Peak vph [in terms of Leq(h)]; or CNEL from ADT vpd-distributed per time fractions  
 AM-to-PM split approximated from Riverside Co 2015 General Plan, Appendix I-1  
 Caltrans AADT, annual average daily traffic and truck counts for 2020, from:  
<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/traffic-operations/census>

## Road Segment, Single Receptor

**Road Name/Segment:** SR-177

**Scenario:** Baseline: Caltrans volume (2020) w trucks = 14% of total

**Average Daily Traffic Mix (%)**

7am-7pm 7pm-10pm 10pm-7am

75 15 10

| ADT (vpd) | Peak Hr (vph) | Day (vph) | Evening (vph) | Night (vph) |
|-----------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|
| 2150      | 325           | 134.4     | 107.5         | 23.9        |

**Receptor Distance: >15m Ref:** 30.5 (m)

100.1 (ft)

**Drop-off (alpha 0.5=soft, 0=hard):** 0.00 (alpha)

**Speed:** 55 (mph)

89 (kph)

| Vehicle Type Mix   | ADT Mix (%) | Peak Hr (vph) | Day (vph) | Evening (vph) | Night (vph) |
|--------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|
| Autos              | 86.0        | 279.5         | 115.6     | 92.5          | 20.5        |
| Medium Duty Trucks | 5.0         | 16.3          | 6.7       | 5.4           | 1.2         |
| Heavy Duty Trucks  | 9.0         | 29.3          | 12.1      | 9.7           | 2.2         |

**REMEL Traffic Flow Adjustment**

|           | (TeNS 2013) | Peak Hr | Day   | Evening | Night | A       | B       | C      |
|-----------|-------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|---------|--------|
| Autos     | 73.8        | -8.3    | -12.1 | -13.1   | -19.6 | 41.7408 | 1.1485  | 50.128 |
| MD Trucks | 79.9        | -20.6   | -24.5 | -25.4   | -32.0 | 33.919  | 20.591  | 68.003 |
| HD Trucks | 84.0        | -18.1   | -21.9 | -22.9   | -29.4 | 35.8799 | 21.0197 | 74.298 |

@ Receptor, Distance Adjustment

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**Scenario Results**

| Leq(h) Peak Hour | Leq(h) Day | Leq(h) Evening | Leq(h) Night | Ldn @ Rec | CNEL @ Rec |
|------------------|------------|----------------|--------------|-----------|------------|
|------------------|------------|----------------|--------------|-----------|------------|

**Centerline Distance to CNEL Contour**

| 70              | 65              | 60              | 55              |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Contour XX CNEL | Contour YY CNEL | Contour ZZ CNEL | Contour ZZ CNEL |

|       |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| (dBA) | (dBA) | (dBA) | (dBA) | (dBA) | (dBA) | (dBA) | (ft) | (ft) | (ft) | (ft) |
| 66.1  | 62.3  | 61.3  | 54.8  | 63.3  | 64.0  | 40    | 86   | 184  | 397  |      |

**Road Name/Segment:** SR-177 w Construction traffic

**Scenario:** Project Construction: adding 530 peak hour vehicles, increasing HDT in mix

**Average Daily Traffic Mix (%)**

| ADT (vpd) | Peak Hr (vph) | Average Daily Traffic Mix (%) |                    |                  |
|-----------|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
|           |               | 7am-7pm (Day)                 | 7pm-10pm (Evening) | 10pm-7am (Night) |
| 3310      | 855           | 206.9                         | 165.5              | 36.8             |

| Vehicle Type Mix   | ADT Mix (%) | Peak Hr (vph) | Day (vph) | Evening (vph) | Night (vph) |
|--------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|
| Autos              | 80.0        | 684.0         | 165.5     | 132.4         | 29.4        |
| Medium Duty Trucks | 5.0         | 42.8          | 10.3      | 8.3           | 1.8         |
| Heavy Duty Trucks  | 15.0        | 128.3         | 31.0      | 24.8          | 5.5         |

**REMEL Traffic Flow Adjustment**

|           | (TeNS 2013) | Peak Hr | Day   | Evening | Night | A       | B       | C      |
|-----------|-------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|---------|--------|
| Autos     | 73.8        | -4.4    | -10.5 | -11.5   | -18.1 | 41.7408 | 1.1485  | 50.128 |
| MD Trucks | 79.9        | -16.4   | -22.6 | -23.6   | -30.1 | 33.919  | 20.591  | 68.003 |
| HD Trucks | 84.0        | -11.7   | -17.8 | -18.8   | -25.3 | 35.8799 | 21.0197 | 74.298 |

**Scenario Results**

| Leq(h) Peak Hour (dBA) | Leq(h) Day (dBA) | Leq(h) Evening (dBA) | Leq(h) Night (dBA) | Ldn @ Rec (dBA) | CNEL @ Rec (dBA) |
|------------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 71.4                   | 65.2             | 64.3                 | 57.7               | 66.3            | 66.9             |

**Centerline Distance to CNEL Contour**

| 70                   | 65                   | 60                   | 55                   |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Contour XX CNEL (ft) | Contour YY CNEL (ft) | Contour ZZ CNEL (ft) | Contour ZZ CNEL (ft) |
| 63                   | 135                  | 290                  | 625                  |

## Vibration Source Levels for Construction Equipment

Project Number: Easley

Model Approach and Cite: FTA, 2018: Table 7-4 and Eq. 7-2, 7-3.  
 Caltrans, 2020 = "Distinctly Perceptible" over 0.24 in/sec

### Vibration Assessment, Individual Source

Reference Source (at 25 ft): PPV 0.644 in/sec, Pile Driver (impact, typical)  
 Reference Source (at 25 ft): Lv 104 VdB, Pile Driver (impact, typical)

|             | D (ft) = | ppv(eq) =    | Damage<br>Criterion<br>(over 0.5 in/sec) | Riv Co 2015: annoying<br>to people in buildings<br>(over 0.2 in/sec) | Lv(D) =   | Human<br>Perceptibility<br>(over 65 Vdb) | Human Annoyance<br>(over 80 VdB) |
|-------------|----------|--------------|--|--|-----------|--|----------------------------------|
| (ref)       | 25       | 0.644 in/sec | Yes                                      | Yes  | 104.0 VdB | Yes                                      | Yes                              |
| At 50 feet  | 50       | 0.228 in/sec | No                                       | Yes  | 95.0 VdB  | Yes                                      | Yes                              |
| At 100 feet | 100      | 0.081 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 85.9 VdB  | Yes                                      | Yes                              |
| At 200 feet | 200      | 0.028 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 76.9 VdB  | Yes                                      | No                               |
| At 600 feet | 600      | 0.005 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 62.6 VdB  | No                                       | No                               |

### Vibration Assessment, Individual Source

Reference Source (at 25 ft): PPV 0.210 in/sec, Vibratory Roller (compactor)  
 Reference Source (at 25 ft): Lv 94 VdB, Vibratory Roller (compactor)

|             | D (ft) = | ppv(eq) =    | Damage<br>Criterion<br>(over 0.5 in/sec) | Riv Co 2015: annoying<br>to people in buildings<br>(over 0.2 in/sec) | Lv(D) =  | Human<br>Perceptibility<br>(over 65 Vdb) | Human Annoyance<br>(over 80 VdB) |
|-------------|----------|--------------|--|--|----------|--|----------------------------------|
| (ref)       | 25       | 0.210 in/sec | No                                       | Yes  | 94.0 VdB | Yes                                      | Yes                              |
| At 50 feet  | 50       | 0.074 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 85.0 VdB | Yes                                      | Yes                              |
| At 100 feet | 100      | 0.026 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 75.9 VdB | Yes                                      | No                               |
| At 200 feet | 200      | 0.009 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 66.9 VdB | Yes                                      | No                               |
| At 600 feet | 600      | 0.002 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 52.6 VdB | No                                       | No                               |

**Vibration Assessment, Individual Source**

Reference Source (at 25 ft): PPV 0.089 in/sec , Large Bulldozer

Reference Source (at 25 ft): Lv 87 VdB, Large Bulldozer

|             | D (ft) = | ppv(eq) =    | Damage<br>Criterion<br>(over 0.5 in/sec) | Riv Co 2015: annoying<br>to people in buildings<br>(over 0.2 in/sec) | Lv(D) =  | Human<br>Perceptibility<br>(over 65 Vdb) | Human Annoyance<br>(over 80 VdB) |
|-------------|----------|--------------|--|--|----------|--|----------------------------------|
| (ref)       | 25       | 0.089 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 87.0 VdB | Yes                                      | Yes                              |
| At 50 feet  | 50       | 0.031 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 78.0 VdB | Yes                                      | No                               |
| At 100 feet | 100      | 0.011 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 68.9 VdB | Yes                                      | No                               |
| At 200 feet | 200      | 0.004 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 59.9 VdB | No                                       | No                               |
| At 600 feet | 600      | 0.001 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 45.6 VdB | No                                       | No                               |

**Vibration Assessment, Individual Source**

Reference Source (at 25 ft): PPV 0.076 in/sec , Loaded Trucks

Reference Source (at 25 ft): Lv 86 VdB, Loaded Trucks

|             | D (ft) = | ppv(eq) =    | Damage<br>Criterion<br>(over 0.5 in/sec) | Riv Co 2015: annoying<br>to people in buildings<br>(over 0.2 in/sec) | Lv(D) =  | Human<br>Perceptibility<br>(over 65 Vdb) | Human Annoyance<br>(over 80 VdB) |
|-------------|----------|--------------|--|--|----------|--|----------------------------------|
| (ref)       | 25       | 0.076 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 86.0 VdB | Yes                                      | Yes                              |
| At 50 feet  | 50       | 0.027 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 77.0 VdB | Yes                                      | No                               |
| At 100 feet | 100      | 0.010 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 67.9 VdB | Yes                                      | No                               |
| At 200 feet | 200      | 0.003 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 58.9 VdB | No                                       | No                               |
| At 600 feet | 600      | 0.001 in/sec | No                                       | No   | 44.6 VdB | No                                       | No                               |