



PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration, Notice of Proposed Section 4(f) *De Minimis* determination for HUM 254 Culvert Rehab Project on State Route 254 project in Humboldt County

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is proposing a project to rehabilitate existing drainage systems rated as being in poor or critical condition and in need of repair, reduce sediment loads to South Fork Eel River, and remediate fish passage barriers on State Route 254 (Avenue of the Giants), in Humboldt County from postmile 0 to 43. This project addresses various locations along State Route 254 near Weott and Miranda and one location on U.S. Highway 101. The project begins north of U.S. 101 at post mile (PM) 0.00 and ends 1.9 miles north of Holmes Flat Road at PM 43.00. The project proposes to construct two bridge structures to remediate fish passage, one at Chadd Creek and the other at Mowry Creek, rehabilitate 45 existing drainage systems, and add two Transportation Management Systems.

WHY THIS AD

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment and our studies show it will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. An Initial Study/Negative Declaration (IS/ND) explains why. This notice informs you of the availability of the IS/ND.

WHAT IS AVAILABLE

The environmental document, referred to as an Initial Study (Negative Declaration), and a proposed Section 4(f) *De Minimis* determination (Appendix D of the IS) for this project will be available for review and comment after December 6, 2022, at:

- Caltrans District 1, 1656 Union Street, Eureka, weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Humboldt County Library, 715 Cedar St, Garberville, CA 95542
- Online at <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-1/d1-projects/hum-254-culvert-rehab>

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please submit written comments on the Initial Study Negative Declaration to Cassie Nichols, Caltrans District 1, 1656 Union Street, Eureka, CA 95501. Comments may also be emailed to: cassie.nichols@dot.ca.gov. All comments must be received by **January 13, 2023**.

For more information about this project, please contact acting project manager Grant Wilcox at 707-798-7737, or Grant.Wilcox@dot.ca.gov.