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SCH #: _____

Project Title: U.S. 101 Prado Road Interchange Project

Lead Agency: California Department of Transportation

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Project Location: San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo County
City *County*

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

The City of San Luis Obispo proposes to extend Prado Road over U.S. 101 to connect with Dalidio Drive and rebuild the existing U.S. 101 northbound on- and offramp connections to Prado Road to provide congestion relief, operational efficiency, and multimodal connectivity. The interchange is in the City of San Luis Obispo at post mile 26.8 on U.S. 101. The purpose of the project is to improve overall circulation and accessibility in the project area for all transportation modes. There is a need to provide better community connectivity between the existing and planned neighborhoods east and west of the U.S. 101 freeway and resolve forecasted operational deficiencies on State and city facilities. This connectivity need extends to all transportation modes.

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

Based on implementation of identified mitigation measures, the project would have no significantly adverse effect on aesthetics, agriculture and forest resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, and tribal cultural resources. Aesthetics: Tree Protection and Replacement Plan and landscaping. Agriculture: 1:1 ratio of preservation.
Air Quality: fugitive dust control measures. Biological Resources: avoidance and minimization measures for California red-legged frog, Coast range newt, southwestern pond turtle, steelhead, nesting birds, riparian habitat and jurisdictional areas, Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring Plan, and invasive species. Cultural Resources: stop work and evaluate in the event of unanticipated discovery. Geology: stop work and evaluate in the event of paleontological resource discovery. Hazards: Preconstruction investigation of surface soils for aerially deposited lead; surface soil testing for pesticides, herbicides, arsenic; workplan for sampling methodology, results, an requirements for removal, treatment, and disposal; marking known petroleum pipelines and contingency plan for soil handling and/or remediation if contaminated soil is encountered.

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

Temporary increase in traffic congestion during construction.

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

California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)
Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB)
San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District (SLOAPCD), if necessary