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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Vina Plains Rehabilitation Project

Lead Agency: California Department of Transportation

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Project Location: near Los Molinos Tehama
City *County*

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

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), using State and federal funding, is proposing to rehabilitate State Route (SR) 299 between the Butte County line and the community of Los Molinos (post mile 0.0 to 12.5) in Tehama County. The purpose of the project is to restore the facility to a state of good repair so that the roadway will be in a condition that requires minimal maintenance. The project is needed because the pavement within the project limits is in a fair state of repair, requiring ongoing maintenance efforts. Additionally, it was determined that select culverts warrant replacement. Moreover, Caltrans would install fiber optic broadband in accordance with Senate Bill 156 (Chapter 112, Statutes of 2021), which expands the State's broadband fiber optic infrastructure and increases internet connectivity for families and businesses. A detailed project description is attached to the Notice of Completion.

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

The project could potentially impact various resources (e.g., aesthetics, air quality, energy, cultural resources, energy, geological resources, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards/hazardous materials, hydrology/water quality, noise, public services, transportation, and utilities/service systems). However, compliance with Caltrans' standard specifications and implementation of standard avoidance/minimization measures would ensure that any impacts would be less than significant.

With the following mitigation measures incorporated, the project would have a less than significant impact to biological resources:

Mitigation Measure 1
To mitigate for the presence of listed shrimp habitat (i.e., wetlands), including listed vernal pool plant species that have the potential to occur in on-site wetlands, Caltrans incorporated various elements design elements to avoid waters.

Mitigation Measure 2
To mitigate for the presence of large streams/riparian habitat, to facilitate broadband installation, Caltrans would avoid impacts to said resources through the use of directional boring.

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

The project is not anticipated to be controversial.

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

Responsible agencies may include:

- California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board