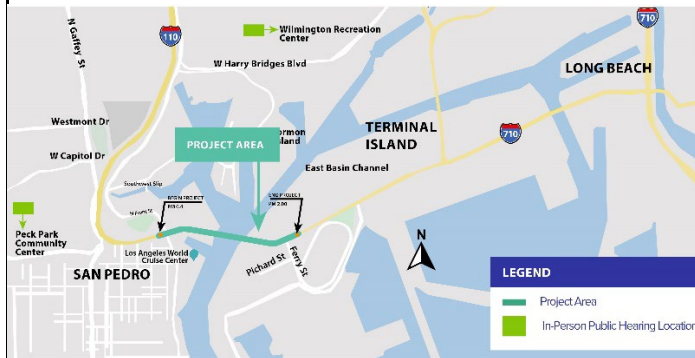




Notice of Public Hearings for the Draft Environmental Impact Report for SR 47 Vincent Thomas Bridge Deck Replacement Project



What is Being Planned?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (EIR/EA) to analyze impacts of a full or partial closure of the Vincent Thomas Bridge to replace the deteriorated bridge deck on State Route 47 (SR-47). Although the bridge is structurally sound, the bridge deck is rapidly deteriorating. This is due to concrete fatigue caused by heavy traffic loading, as well as environmental deterioration due to age and the marine environment. Built in 1963, the Vincent Thomas Bridge is a steel, suspension bridge spanning 6,062 feet and is the main gateway to the Port of Los Angeles. The purpose of the proposed project is to preserve the structural integrity of the Vincent Thomas Bridge by replacing the bridge deck and seismic sensors, and upgrade the fencing and existing median/railing barriers to meet current Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH) requirements to ensure the Vincent Thomas Bridge remains a safe and reliable corridor between San Pedro and Terminal Island in the Port of Los Angeles.

Why This Notice?

The purpose of this public hearing notice is to solicit comments from public agencies, private entities, and interested individuals regarding potential social, economic, and environmental issues related to the project. A Draft EIR/EA is available for public review and comment in conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act. We want to hear your thoughts and welcome your participation. The Draft EIR/EA and Notice of Availability (NOA) will be available through the Virtual Meeting Room link below

<https://virtualeventroom.com/caltrans/vtb/>

How to get involved?

A virtual public hearing will be held on May 1, 2024, and two in-person public hearings will be held on May 30 and June 13, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The Virtual Meeting can be accessed online via:
virtualeventroom.com/caltrans/vtb/

The In-Person Meetings will be held at the following locations:

May 30, 2024
Wilmington Recreation Center
325 N Neptune Ave,
Wilmington, CA 90744

June 13, 2024

Peck Park Community Center
560 N Western Ave,
San Pedro, CA 90732

You may submit your comments that will become part of the project's public record **no later than July 15, 2024**, via mail to:

Jason Roach, Senior Environmental Planner
Division of Environmental Planning (Project EA 07-39020)
California Department of Transportation, District 7
100 South Main Street, MS 16A
Los Angeles, CA 90012

or via e-mail at caltransvtb@virtualeventroom.net

Contact

If you have questions, please contact Jason Roach in the Division of Environmental Planning at (213) 310-2653.

Special Accommodations: Individuals who require special accommodation (American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating, documentation in alternate formats, etc.) are requested to contact Caltrans District 7, Alex Brown at (213) 310-2590 at least 7 days prior to the scheduled public hearings. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service TTY line at 711.

Thank you for your interest!