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Deck Replacement Project

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Vincent Thomas Bridge
Deck Replacement
Project

RE: Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (EIR/EA)

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has evaluated a full and partial closure of the Vincent Thomas Bridge to replace the deteriorated bridge deck on State Route 47 (SR-47). A Draft EIR/EA was released for a 90-day public comment period in April 2024. The bridge deck is rapidly deteriorating due to concrete fatigue caused by heavy truck traffic. The purpose of the proposed project is to preserve the structural integrity of the Vincent Thomas Bridge by replacing the bridge deck, upgrading seismic sensors, and improving existing median/railing barriers to meet current Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH) requirements. The upgrades would ensure the Vincent Thomas Bridge remains a safe and reliable corridor between San Pedro and Terminal Island in the Port of Los Angeles. Based on comments received and evaluation from the Caltrans Project Development Team (PDT), the Preferred Alternative is the Build Alternative with a single-stage construction staging option with a full closure of the bridge lasting approximately 16 months.

Caltrans is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the lead agency as assigned by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Caltrans has studied the effects that the proposed project may have on the environment and community. The results of these studies are contained in the Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (EIR/EA). The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of its completion and availability to any interested individuals.

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Should you have any further questions, please contact Jason Roach, Division of Environmental Planning, at (213) 310 - 2653. Thank you for your continued interest in this important transportation project.

Sincerely,

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