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State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear State Clearinghouse:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has prepared a Draft Initial Study (IS) with a proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed Fix 5 Cascade Gateway Project/Cascade SHOPP Project. The Fix 5 Cascade Gateway Project (EA 02-0H920)/Cascade State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) Project (EA 02-1J380) would make improvements to Interstate 5 (I-5) in Shasta County from the Hartnell Avenue OC (PM R13.9) to 0.8-mile north of Union School Road (PM R23.2) and in Tehama County at the California Highway Patrol Cottonwood Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Facility (PM 40.7). In support of the draft submittal package for the project, the following documents were uploaded to the State Clearinghouse's CEQA Database on November 16, 2023:

- Draft IS
- Notice of Intent
- Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal
- Notice of Completion
- A copy of this transmittal

The Draft IS will be circulated for public review for a 30-day period from November 16, 2023 to December 16, 2023.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me at <u>Darrin.Doyle@dot.ca.gov</u> or at (530) 759-3409.

Sincerely,

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