



PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of Intent to Adopt a **NEGATIVE DECLARATION** and **OPPORTUNITY FOR a PUBLIC HEARING**

(Study Results Available)

Antelope Grade Vertical Curve Correction and Truck Climbing Lane Extension

Do you want a public hearing on changes proposed for State Route 46 in San Luis Obispo and Kern counties?

Comments will be accepted from October 3 to November 1, 2024.

If there are no major comments or requests for a hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to extend the existing westbound truck climbing lane and correct a vertical curve along State Route 46 from post miles 59.8 to 60.9 in San Luis Obispo County and post miles 0.0 to 0.9 in Kern County.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show the project will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains why is called an Initial Study with Proposed Negative Declaration. This notice is to inform you of the preparation of the Initial Study with Proposed Negative Declaration and of its availability for you to read and comment on. This notice also offers you an opportunity to request a public hearing.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Initial Study with Proposed Negative Declaration and other project information are available for review and copying at the following locations:

- Caltrans District 5 Office, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, Ca 93401, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Caltrans District 6 Office, 1352 West Olive Avenue, Fresno, Ca 93728, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- The San Luis Obispo Library, 995 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo, Ca 93403, during business hours.
- Baker Branch Library, 1400 Baker Street, Bakersfield, Ca 93305, during business hours.
- The document can be downloaded at the following website:

<https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-5/district-5-current-projects/05-1q03u>



WHERE YOU COME IN?

Do you have any comments about processing the project with an Initial Study with Proposed Negative Declaration? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Proposed Negative Declaration? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? Would you like a public hearing? Please submit your comments or requests for a public hearing in writing by U.S. Mail or email no later than November 1, 2024, to Caltrans, Attention: Shane Gunn, District 6 Environmental Division, California Department of Transportation, 2015 East Shields Avenue, Suite 100, Fresno, California 93726, or by email to shane.gunn@dot.ca.gov. The date Caltrans will begin accepting comments is October 3, 2024. If there are no major comments or requests for a public hearing, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT

For more information about this project, please contact Shane Gunn, Senior Environmental Scientist (Supervisor), by email at shane.gunn@dot.ca.gov or by phone at 559-832-0051. For all other state highway matters in the area, please contact the District 5 Public Information Office at info-d5@dot.ca.gov or by phone at 805-549-3237, or contact the District 6 Public Information Office at d6.public.info@dot.ca.gov or by phone at 559-444-2409.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, individuals who require accommodation (American Sign Language Interpreter, accessible seating, documents in alternative formats, etc.) are requested to contact the Caltrans District 6 Public Information Office at d6.public.info@dot.ca.gov or by phone at 559-444-2409 or contact the District 5 Public Information Office at info-d5@dot.ca.gov or by phone at 805-549-3237. Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service line at 1-800-735-2929, Voice Line at 1-800-735-2922, or contact the California Relay Service Teletype Voice Line by dialing 711.

