

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: 2024081255

Project Title: El Dorado County Broadband Fiber Project

Lead Agency: El Dorado County

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Project Location: El Dorado County

City

County

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

El Dorado County (County) is proposing to expand access to fiber optic broadband technology throughout the unincorporated and incorporated areas of the County. The proposed El Dorado County Broadband Fiber Project (Project) would install fiber optic lines either underground in buried conduits, overhead on existing or newly constructed utility poles, or in a combination of both. The proposed Project would be located within the unincorporated areas of the County and two incorporated cities within the County, the City of Placerville and City of South Lake Tahoe. The majority of future broadband infrastructure is anticipated to be constructed within the typical roadway cross-section within the unincorporated areas of the County, two incorporated cities, or California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) public rights-of-way (ROW). However, broadband infrastructure could also be constructed on private disturbed and federal lands. The exact alignment of future broadband infrastructure is currently unknown at this time and would be planned based on such considerations as construction feasibility, local preference, and locations of sensitive environmental resources.

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

The EIR identified potentially significant environmental effects in the areas of Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Noise, Transportation, and Tribal Cultural Resources. The EIR concludes that the proposed Project would not result in significant and unavoidable impacts. The following mitigation measures (MM) are identified in the EIR for the proposed Project:

MM AES-1: Visual Impact Assessment (Less than significant with mitigation); MM AQ-1: Prepare a Fugitive Dust Mitigation Plan (Less than significant with mitigation); MM AQ-2: Prepare an Asbestos Dust Mitigation Plan (Less than significant with mitigation); MM BIO-1: Prepare Site-Specific Biological Resources Assessment (Less than significant with mitigation); MM BIO-2: Jurisdictional Delineation and Regulatory Permitting (Less than significant with mitigation); MM BIO-3: Oak Resources Inventory (Less than significant with mitigation); MM CUL-1: Archaeological Cultural Resources Investigations (Less than significant with mitigation); MM CUL-2: Inadvertent Discovery of Archaeological Cultural Resources (Less than significant with mitigation); MM NOI-1: Construction Hours (Less than significant with mitigation); MM NOI-2: Backup Generator Noise Control (Less than significant with mitigation); MM NOI-3: Vibratory Roller Use (Less than significant with mitigation); MM TRA-1: Traffic Control and Detour Plan (Less than significant with mitigation); MM TCR-1: Tribal Consultation (Less than significant with mitigation); MM TCR-2: Archaeological Treatment and Tribal Consultation (Less than significant with mitigation)

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

No known areas of controversy.

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

City of Placerville
City of South Lake Tahoe
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
Bureau of Land Management
California Department of Fish and Wildlife
California Department of Parks and Recreation
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board
California Department of Transportation
California Tahoe Conservancy
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
U.S. Forest Service