

the existing retaining fence, and sidewalk. Additionally, the existing traffic signal at the California Street and Redlands Boulevard intersection and the electrical utility poles on California Street will be relocated.

The City proposes to widen the west side of California Street, north of Redlands Boulevard and south of the existing Anthem Oil gas station. California Street is classified as a Major Arterial roadway and the proposed widening Project is designed to accommodate the high volume of motorists that utilize the roadway to travel between residential areas, major activity centers, and the I-10 and I-215 freeways. The proposed widening of California Street consists of the construction of one (1) designated right turn lane, two (2) travel lanes, a 6.5-foot-wide concrete sidewalk with curb and gutter, and a 24-foot-wide concrete sidewalk depression to provide access to the Channel for maintenance. The specifications for the sidewalk and gutter improvements meet the requirements of the City's Standard Specifications and Detail Drawings for Design Construction of Public Improvements guidelines (PW Standards).

The proposed storm drain improvements consist of the construction of an RCB triple culvert totaling fifty-four (54) feet wide and eleven (11) feet tall and 220-feet in length that will connect to an existing RCB triple culvert in the Redlands Boulevard and California Street right-of-way. The RCB culvert is comprised of concrete transition structures, a sloped concrete invert, the installation of a guard rail, and a 6-foot-tall chain link fence. The specifications for the culvert are in accordance with the County of San Bernardino Flood Control Standards and the Standard Plans for Public Works Construction (SPPWC) Standards. Construction of the Project is proposed to commence in September 2024 and would last through May 2025.

Public Review Process:

This is to advise that there is no substantial evidence of any potentially significant environmental effects from the proposed project, and the City of Redlands has determined that a Mitigated Negative Declaration is the appropriate CEQA environmental determination for the project. The City of Redlands Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at a future noticed public meeting (date to be determined) to discuss and make a recommendation to the City Council on the above-referenced project. After public review of the Initial Study is completed, the City may propose to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in accordance with the CEQA Guidelines.

The Initial Study, project plans, and related documents are available for public review at the Planning Division website at <https://www.cityofredlands.org/post/environmental-documents>.

A Planning Commission public hearing for this project has not yet been scheduled. Please contact the staff member below for further information about project status or a hearing date.

How to Submit Comments:

The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration will be available for public review and comment from September 26, 2024, to October 28, 2024. Any comments you wish to submit should be submitted in writing no later than 5:30 p.m. on October 28, 2024, to the City of Redlands Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department.

Written comments should be submitted via e-mail to:

gnepomuceno@cityofredlands.org Written comments may be mailed to:

City of Redlands, Municipal Utilities and Engineering Department.

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Written comments may be submitted via facsimile to: (909)792-8715



Signature

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Date

**Deadline to submit public comments:
October 28, 2024 by 5:30 p.m.**