

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Riverford Road Roundabouts Project

Lead Agency: County of San Diego

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Project Location: Lakeside
City

Unincorporated San Diego County
County

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

The proposed project consists of improvements to an existing transportation facility within the SR-67/Riverford Road interchange in Lakeside, unincorporated San Diego County. The project would convert two intersections to roundabouts, to improve traffic circulation and ease congestion; add on- and off- ramp legs; construct crosswalks, Rapid Flashing Beacons, pedestrian push buttons for sidewalks, sidewalks, shared-use pathways, and Class II bike lanes; and install streetlights around both roundabouts and stormwater quality improvement features to help clean stormwater draining into the San Diego River. The northern roundabout would replace a two-way stop-controlled intersection at the on/off-ramps of SR-67 southbound and Riverford Road. The southern roundabout would replace existing signal-controlled intersection at Woodside Avenue and Riverford Road. New curb cuts, gutters, inlets, and other stormdrain features would be added and tie into existing drainage systems as part of water quality treatment. The project site would include vegetated landscape and hardscape. Rock removal via blasting and/or other methods are likely; however, access to residences and businesses in the vicinity would remain open at all times. The project would take one to two years to complete.

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

Impacts identified as "less than significant with mitigation incorporated" may occur to biological resources. These impacts could include: direct permanent impacts to 1.54 acres of Diegan coastal sage scrub (CSS) (1.47 acres of non-Biological Resources Core Area (BRCA) and 0.07 acre of BRCA) shall be mitigated at a ratio of 1.5:1 for BRCA and 1:1 for non-BRCA. This equates to a mitigation total of 1.58 acres (0.11 acres of BRCA and 1.47 acre of non-BRCA) of CSS. Temporary direct impacts to 0.12 acres of disturbed non-BRCA CSS shall be mitigated at a 1:1 ratio, which equates to 0.12 acre of CSS. Temporary impacts would be restored on-site with habitat of equal or greater value. Permanent impacts shall be mitigated in the form of either enhancement, restoration, and/or creation of habitat on- or off-site; or deduction of credits from a pre-approved mitigation area or a mitigation bank. Additionally, direct permanent impacts to 0.04 acre of disturbed non-BRCA southern cottonwood-willow riparian forest shall be mitigated at a ratio of 1:1, which equates to a mitigation total of 0.04 acre of southern cottonwood-willow riparian forest. Temporary direct impacts to 0.04 acre of disturbed non-BRCA southern cottonwood-willow riparian forest shall be mitigated at a 1:1 ratio, which equates to 0.04 of southern cottonwood-willow riparian forest. Permanent impacts shall be mitigated in the form of either enhancement, restoration, and/or creation of habitat on- or off-site; or deduction of credits from a pre-approved mitigation area or a mitigation bank. Other potential direct or indirect incidental impacts to sensitive and non-sensitive wildlife, bird, raptor, invertebrate, and reptile species would be avoided and minimized through a number of species-specific avoidance and minimization measures prepared for this project and standard County's Best Management Practices.

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

None

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

Caltrans District 11 is the CEQA Responsible Agency and NEPA Lead Agency for this project