

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact

PROJECT: 12th Street Interchange Modernization Project

LEAD AGENCY/CONTACT PERSON: City of Fortuna; Public Works Director: Brendan Byrd; 621 11th Street; P.O. Box 545, Fortuna, CA 95540; phone: (707) 725-1469; e-mail: bbyrd@ci.fortuna.ca.us

INITIAL STUDY and CHECKLIST PREPARED BY: City of Fortuna

PROJECT LOCATION: At the 12th Street, Riverwalk Drive, and US Hwy 101 on- and off-ramp intersection. existing U.S. 101 Highway interchange in the City of Fortuna.

PROJECT PROPONENT: City of Fortuna

PROJECT SUMMARY: The Project would create a five-leg roundabout at the 12th Street/US Hwy 101/northbound ramps intersection that incorporates a realigned Newburg Road as the fifth leg. 12th Street, Riverwalk Drive, Newburg Road, and Pond Street will be realigned and widened to accommodate the roundabout as well as pedestrian and bicycle lane improvements. The existing Newburg Road connection to 12th Street would be closed. 12th Street and Newburg Road would have Class II bike lanes to a new a shared-use non-motorized connection over US Hwy 101. The Project is approximately 22 acres in size and would simplify and improve navigation and traffic operations at the 12th Street intersection, including the US 101 interchange. Construction is expected to occur over two construction seasons.

COMMENT PERIOD: The review period is 30 days and commences on February 26, 2025 and ends on March 28, 2025. Written comments must be submitted to the city by March 28, 2025 and addressed to: Brendan Byrd, Public Works Director; 621 11th Street; P.O. Box 545, Fortuna, CA 95540.

The City Council of the City of Fortuna will hold a meeting in the Fortuna City Council Chambers on or after April 7, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., to consider adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE: The initial study and additional Information on the project is available for review at the Community Development Department at City Hall, 621 11th Street, on weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., and on the City's website at friendlyfortuna.com.