

# Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: Picacho Road Bridge Replacement (Initial Study #24-0037)

Lead Agency: Imperial County Planning and Development Services Department

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Project Location: Winterhaven Imperial  
*City* *County*

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

The proposed project is located at Picacho Bridge over Yuma Main Canal (Picacho Road, Winterhaven, CA 32.7358 N, 114.6241 W and within APN 056-600-011-000) and is intended to replace the existing bridge leading into the Townsite of Winterhaven in Supervisorial District 5. The proposed Project presents a unique opportunity to construct a modern bridge that implements Best Managements Practices (BMPs) concurrently with transportation amenities. Due to cracking and outliving its useful life, the existing wood bridge must be replaced to support commerce, access to the Quechan Reservation, the Bard community, and provide a safer crossing of the Yuma Main Canal. The bridge is owned by Imperial County and its National Bridge Inventory (NBI) number is 58C0028. The bridge crosses the Yuma Main Canal, which is a Bureau of Reclamation facility that is operated and maintained by their managing partner the Yuma County Water Users' Association.

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

AG: To ensure no indirect impacts would occur to surrounding agricultural lands, an on-site buffer zone will be created surrounding the Project. It is recommended the County will need to obtain a signed statement from adjacent property owners stating that no indirect impacts will occur to their property.  
BIO: Nesting surveys by qualified biologist during nesting season. Construction during non-nesting season. Additional nesting surveys within 3-5 days prior to start of construction and fourteen days prior to start construction for burrowing owl. A biologist should be present at the start of groundbreaking activities.  
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CUL-1: During construction work an Inadvertent Discovery Plan should be developed and shared with the staff on-site.  
CUL-2: Should human remains be encountered during ground disturbing activities; all work will cease, and the County Medical Examiner will be contacted.  
GEO: Prior to earthmoving activities, a certified geotechnical engineer or equivalent, shall perform a final geotechnical evaluation of the soils following the requirements of California Building Code Title 24, Part 2, Chapter 18, Section 1803.1.1.2.  
HAZ-1: If in-situ potentially hazardous materials are encountered, all construction in the vicinity of the encounter will be halted. Contractors shall follow all applicable local, state, and federal regulations regarding the discovery.  
HAZ-2: A BMP Maintenance Plan shall be prepared by Implementing Agencies upon approval of the BMP projects that identify the frequency and procedures for removal and/or replacement of accumulated debris, surface soils, and/or media.  
UTIL: Implementing agencies shall encourage construction contractors to recycle construction materials and divert inert solids from disposal in a landfill where feasible. Implementing agencies shall incentivize construction contractors with waste minimization goals in bid specifications where feasible.

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 have been expressed at this time.

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

IID (Imperial Irrigation District)  
City of Yuma (Department of Community Development)  
Caltrans  
Department of Fish & Wildlife  
Fort Yuma, Quechan Indian Tribe  
Campo Band of Mission Indians