

California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS)

March 12, 2025

Subject: Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration for the 03-4J550 Truckee Wash Rack Sewer.

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has prepared an initial Study (IS) with proposed Negative Declaration (ND), which examines the potential environmental impacts of the alternatives being considered for the proposed project located in Nevada County on Interstate 80 (I-80). Caltrans is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Project Location: The proposed project is located on Interstate 80 (I-80) in Placer County at post mile 15.661.

Project Description: The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to connect the existing wash rack to the municipal sewer system. The scope of work includes creating a trench drain to collect wash water and installing an electrical diversion valve and a sand-oil separator. The three-way solenoid valve would be installed at the outlet of the trench drain and would determine whether the discharge from the wash rack goes to the storm drain or the sand-oil separator. When the wash rack is in use for a vehicle wash, the valve would divert the wash water to the sand-oil separator and then to the sewer system. When the wash rack is not in use, the valve would direct stormwater to the storm drain. Additionally, a sampling port would be installed so maintenance staff can collect samples of the wash water entering the sewer system.

Environmental Effects: The proposed project would have no impact on Aesthetics, Agriculture and Forest Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Energy, Geology and Soils, Land Use and Planning, Mineral Resources, Noise, Population Housing, Public Services, Recreation, Transportation, Tribal Cultural Resources, Utilities and Service Systems, Wildfire, and Mandatory Findings of Significance. The proposed project would have less than significant impacts on Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards and Hazardous Waste, Hydrology and Water Quality.

Availability of Document: Pursuant to CEQA requirements, a draft IS ND is being made available for a public review period commencing on March 14, 2025 and ending

on April 13, 2025. The document can be viewed digitally via Caltrans weblink:
<https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-3/d3-programs/d3-environmental/d3-environmental-docs>

Comments: Caltrans will be accepting written comments on the Draft IS ND for consideration prior to adoption of the document. Comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 14, 2025 and can be submitted by mail to:

California Department of Transportation Environmental Management, M-3 Branch, 703 B Street, Marysville, CA 95901 Attn: Truckee Wash Rack Sewer Connection.

Submit comments via email to: truckeewashrack@dot.ca.gov