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Project Title: Shoemaker Bridge Replacement ProjectLead Agency: California Department of Transportation, District 7Contact Person: Jason RoachMailing Address: 100 South Main Street, MS 16APhone: 213-897-0357City: Los AngelesZip: 90012County: Los Angeles**Project Location:** County: Los AngelesCity/Nearest Community: Long BeachCross Streets: SR-710 and W Shoreline DriveZip Code: 90802Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 33 ° 46 ' 31 " N / 118 ° 12 ' 12 " W Total Acres: _____Assessor's Parcel No.: VariousSection: 1Twp.: 3SRange: 12WBase: SBMWithin 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 710Waterways: Los Angeles RiverAirports: N/ARailways: BNSF, UPRRSchools: various - see below**Document Type:**CEQA: NOP Early Cons Neg Dec Mit Neg Dec Draft EIR Supplement/Subsequent EIR

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Please see attached for Project Description.

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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date 9/27/2019 Ending Date 11/12/2019

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Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

Project Description

The City of Long Beach (City), in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), is proposing to replace the Shoemaker Bridge (West Shoreline Drive) in the City of Long Beach, California. The new bridge will be reduced to have two mixed-flow lanes in the NB and in the SB directions to tie the flow into SR-710. The new bridge will also include pedestrian and bicycle access. Additionally, bicycle, pedestrian, and street enhancements will be provided on adjacent thoroughfares.

Currently, Shoemaker Bridge is under jurisdiction of the City and serves as the extension of West Shoreline Drive within downtown Long Beach to the SR-710 corridor. I-710 transitions into SR-710 south of Pacific Coast Highway. Since the existing Shoemaker Bridge is within City right-of-way (ROW), the City serves as the lead agency under CEQA. However, since the new Shoemaker Bridge would require federal funding and would be transferred to Caltrans for future ownership and maintenance, Caltrans serves as a responsible agency under CEQA, as well as the lead agency under NEPA.

Purpose of the Project

The purpose of the proposed Project is to:

- Provide a structure and highway facility that meets current structural and geometric design standards
- Provide a facility that is compatible with planned freeway improvements and downtown development projects
- Improve connectivity from the downtown area to surrounding communities and adjacent recreational use areas
- Improve safety and operations for all modes of transportation

The Project limits are generally bounded by 9th Street and 10th Street ramp connections and West Shoreline Drive to the west, Magnolia Avenue to the east, Ocean Boulevard and West Shoreline Drive to the south, and Anaheim Street to the north. The Project limits on the east side extend beyond Magnolia Avenue along Anaheim Street and 6th and 7th Streets to Atlantic Boulevard.

The proposed Project would reconstruct Shoemaker Bridge and realign local street connections to the bridge. The proposed Project limits serve as logical termini, or rational end points for transportation improvements and is sufficient to evaluate the environmental impacts of the connections that originate in downtown Long Beach at the south end and terminate at the bridge's connection to SR-710 at the north end because the Project purpose is to modernize the structure and geometrics of the bridge and to facilitate planned projects adjacent to the bridge.

Need for the Project

The existing Shoemaker Bridge has structural deficiencies and a high accident rate because of nonstandard geometric features that cannot be upgraded to current state highway standards. The Project is needed to improve safety, operations, and connectivity between downtown Long Beach and regional transportation facilities. It is also needed to accommodate planned improvements in the area, such as the City's planned improvements to Cesar E. Chavez and Drake Parks.

If the existing Shoemaker Bridge were to continue to be used for vehicular traffic, the existing nonstandard features would remain, and the existing bridge alignment would preclude planned improvements by other locally and regionally significant projects, specifically, the SR-710 Corridor Project. The implementation of the proposed Project would provide consistency with the improvements proposed as part of the SR-710 Corridor Project. The I-710 Corridor Improvement Project proposes improvements to SR-710 in City of Long Beach between Ocean Boulevard and SR 60. The Project would include widening the freeway by adding up to two lanes in each direction, improving interchange connections, and upgrading nonstandard features (lane widths, merging distance, etc.) to current Highway Capacity Manual standards. The Project also includes alternatives to add a four-lane separated freight movement corridor.

In addition, the proposed improvements would provide consistency with the Mobility Element of the City of Long Beach General Plan (City of Long Beach 2013) and meet the needs for traffic safety and accommodating the projected increase in demand for non-motorized transportation facilities within the City.