



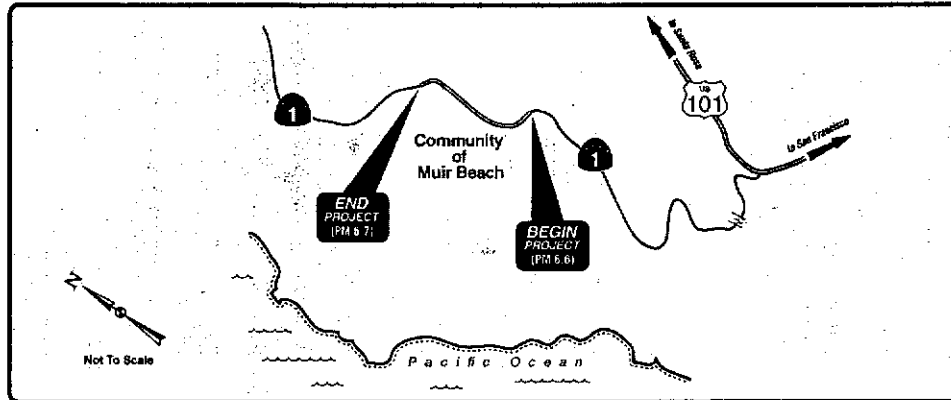
PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Opportunity To Comment On A Section 4(F) De Minimis Impacts Finding

Availability of Initial Study and Opportunity for Public Hearing - Marin Tie Back Wall Project

Marin Tie Back Wall Project



WHAT'S BEING PLANNED?

The project would repair landslide damage to State Route 1 by constructing two retaining walls to shore up the roadbed and prevent the road from completely slipping down slope. There would be drainage inlets and pipe installed to control water to drain under the road, and a new roadbed would be constructed with new pavement.

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) also announces their intent to adopt a U.S. Department of Transportation Act, Section 4(f) De Minimis Finding for this storm water damage repair project on State Route 1 (Shoreline Highway) as the property down slope the road is within the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA).

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show it would not significantly affect the quality of the environment. A Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for California Environmental Quality Act. This notice is to tell you of the availability of this report for you to review and to offer the opportunity for a public hearing.

The proposed project is an action that is subject to the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966, Section 4(f) of this legislation seeks to protect publicly owned parks and recreation areas, waterfowl and wildlife refuges, and historic sites considered to have national, state or local significance. The act includes a special provision to carry out this effort in 23 CFR 774.17, Section 4(f). In recent years, the Federal Highway Administration has assigned the responsibility for Section 4(f) findings to Caltrans under the Section 6009 of the Safe, Accountable and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Act of 2005. SAFETEA-LU established the de minimis finding process, in which determinations are made regarding 4(f) resources when no adverse effects would occur. De minimis impacts are defined as those that do not adversely affect the activities, features and attributes for which the property qualifies as a 4(f) resource.

WHERE YOU COME IN?

Caltrans is soliciting input from the public, as well as, representatives from Mount Tamalpais State Park and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Public comments on the 4(f) de minimis finding, processing the project with a Mitigated Negative Declaration and an Initial Study or the project in general would be accepted until April 21, 2011.

Please submit your comments or request for a public hearing in writing no later than April 21, 2011 to Caltrans Environmental Office, 2015 E. Shields Avenue, Suite 100, Fresno, CA 93726-5428, Attention: Gail Miller. If there are no major comments or request for a Public Hearing, Caltrans will proceed with a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

Beginning March 22, 2011 the Initial Study and other project information will be available for review at the: Caltrans District 4 Office: 111 Grand Ave Oakland, CA 94612 and at the Stinson Beach Branch of the Marin County Library at 3521 Shoreline Drive, Stinson Beach, CA 94970.

CONTACT

For information about this study, please write to Gail Miller, Senior Environmental Planner, Caltrans Environmental Office at 2015 E. Shields Avenue, Suite 100, Fresno, CA, 93726-5428 or email gail_miller@dot.ca.gov or contact Gail Miller by phone at (559) 243-8274.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

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