



# Imperial County Planning & Development Services Planning / Building

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## NOTICE OF INTENT

**NOTICE OF INTENT IS HERBY GIVEN** for the preparation of a  Negative Declaration  Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Meloland Road Bridge Replacement at Central Drain Project; County Project Number 6838 (Initial Study #23-0034), pursuant to the *California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)* and the County of Imperial's *Rules and Regulations to Implement CEQA as amended*.

**LEAD AGENCY:** Imperial County Planning & Development Services Department (ICPDS)

**APPLICANT:** County of Imperial, Public Works Department

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Meloland Road Bridge at Central Drain, located approximately 4 miles west of the City of Holtville, within Imperial County, California. The existing bridge is located approximately 1.9 miles north of Evan Hewes Highway.

The project site  is  is not listed on any list under Government Code Section 65962.5.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The project would demolish and replace the existing bridge at Meloland Road over Central Drain with an underground pipe crossing. Meloland Road is a north-south minor collector road serving the surrounding agricultural community and the Holtville area via Evan Hewes Highway. The Central Drain is a critical drain maintained and operated by the Imperial Irrigation District for the entire El Centro urban area, and surrounding agricultural farms, and discharges directly into the Rositas Waste Drain approximately 900 feet downstream, and subsequently into the Alamo River, located 0.25 mile from Meloland Road.

**COMMENT PERIOD:** July 02, 2024, through August 08, 2024

Written comments will be accepted for the proposed project during this period. You may submit written comments by mail at the address listed below or email: [ICPDSComentLetters@co.imperial.ca.us](mailto:ICPDSComentLetters@co.imperial.ca.us). Only written comments submitted during the specified period will be considered unless otherwise allowed under CEQA.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** Required documents for the project are available at the ICPDS office located at 801 Main Street, El Centro, CA 92243 during normal working hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Sincerely,



Jim Minnick, Director  
Planning & Development Services

**POST FOR 30 DAYS**

**Cover Sheet  
Assessment Form  
(County of Imperial)**

Initial Study #23-0034 Date: 06/25/2024

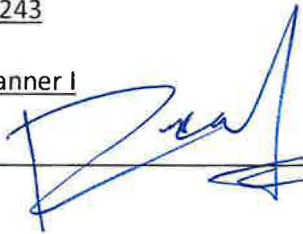
Project type/name: Imperial County Project Number 6838 ; Meloland Road Bridge Replacement at Central Drain

Applicant's name: County of Imperial Planning & Development Services Department

Applicant's address: 801 Main Street, El Centro, CA 92243

Name of person preparing Initial Study: Rocio Yee, Planner I

Signature of person preparing Initial Study: \_\_\_\_\_



**I. Project Information**

- a. Assessor's Parcel Number(s): N/A
- b. Street address: Meloland Road Bridge
- c. Cross street: Nearest cross street: Meloland Road and E Grumbles Road
- d. Township/Section/Range: Sections 19 and 20, of Township 15 South, Range 15 East, SBBM
- e. Project area (acres) : 3.74 acres

**II. General Plan Consistency**

- a. General Plan Designation. Agriculture
- b. Is Project in an Urban area? No
- c. Name of Urban area. N/A
- d. Is Project within an adopted Specific Plan area? No
- e. Name of Specific Plan area. N/A
- f. Existing zoning. A-2 General Agriculture

- g. Proposed zoning, if any. N/A
- h. Adjacent zoning. North: A-2, South: A-2, East: A-2 and West: A-2
- i. Is proposal consistent with the site's existing or proposed zoning? Yes
- j. Is proposal compatible with existing or surrounding zoning or can it be made compatible? Yes
- k. Is the proposal consistent with a Specific Plan for the area? N/A
- l. Is the proposal compatible with existing plans and planned surrounding land uses or can it be made compatible? Yes
- m. Is the proposal consistent with the land use designation and policies of the 1993 General Plan? Yes

**Comments:** (if any)

None.

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