

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Alamo Pintado Bridge Replacement

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Project Location: Solvang
City

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County

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

This project, located in Santa Barbara County on State Route 246 from post miles 30.173 to 30.435, proposes to replace the Alamo Pintado Bridge (Bridge Number 51 0130), which is rated scour critical. The scope of work includes installing straight abutment walls under the bridge, placing rock slope protection to protect the abutments, road embankment, and nearby existing infrastructure, and upgrading four existing outdated Americans with Disabilities Act curb ramps at the Alamo Pintado Road intersection. The proposed bridge work includes building a 14-foot-wide Class 1 Bikeway (multiuse path) with a 2-foot-wide barrier separating the path and the travelway. A retaining wall is proposed on the northeast side of the bridge, connecting the new Class 1 Bikeway to the existing one and allowing continuous travel to the Alamo Pintado Road intersection.

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

It has been determined that the proposed action with the incorporation of the identified mitigation measures will not have a significant effect on biological resources:

- Caltrans proposes to restore all temporarily impacted areas to pre-project conditions, functions, and values and compensate for unavoidable permanent and degradation impacts to jurisdictional aquatic features with replacement plantings, vegetating newly installed rock slope protection along the streambank, conducting invasive species control along the Alamo Pintado Creek corridor, and other potential means of mitigation. Caltrans would restore all areas temporarily impacted for access needs on-site at a 1-to-1 ratio. Additionally, for areas treated with buried/backfilled rock slope protection (degradation impacts), Caltrans would restore vegetation over the buried/backfilled rock slope protection. Caltrans would also restore an additional 0.5 acre of riparian vegetation for each acre of vegetated backfilled rock slope protection, resulting in a 1.5-to-1 ratio of restoration for degraded areas.

- Trees scoped for removal within jurisdictional areas would also be mitigated. Trees with a diameter at standard height between 6 and 12 inches would be mitigated at a 3-to-1 ratio, trees with a diameter at standard height between 12 and 24 inches would be mitigated at a 5-to-1 ratio, and trees with a diameter at standard height greater than 24 inches would be mitigated at a 10-to-1 ratio.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

There are no known areas of controversy for this project.

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

California Transportation Commission
California Department of Fish and Wildlife Region 5
Regional Water Quality Control Board Region 3
Native American Heritage Commission
Office of Historic Preservation