



Notice of Intent (NOI) To Adopt an Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration for the US-95 at Havasu Lake Road Improvement Project (Project Number - H15280)

Notice is hereby given that the San Bernardino County (Lead Agency) has completed an Initial Study and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the US-95 at Havasu Lake Road Improvement Project.

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code Section 21165 and the "Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act" as amended to date, notice is hereby given that the County of San Bernardino, as Lead Agency, is circulating for public review a Draft Initial Study for the proposed US-95 at Havasu Lake Road Improvement Project.

Project Title: US-95 at Havasu Lake Road Improvement Project

Project Applicant: San Bernardino County

Project Location: 34°33'28.41" N 114°38'42.80" W; APN: 065-123-114

Project Description: The Proposed Project involves widening a segment of southbound U.S. Highway 95 by 14 feet, consisting of a 12-foot travel lane and a 2-foot edge line, and constructing a left-turn pocket with an excavation depth of approximately 1.10 feet. To accommodate this widening, approximately 3,000 linear feet of brush will be cleared, and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will acquire roughly 3,000 linear feet by four feet of right-of-way from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The primary goal of the Project is to improve traffic flow and safety by enabling safer left turns onto Lake Havasu Road and reducing idling of through traffic.

All vegetation within the planned expansion area will be removed, and a two-direction large arrow (W1-7 type) located at the intersection will be relocated. No utilities will be affected. Roadway improvements will include demolition of existing asphalt concrete, milling and overlay of existing pavement, and placement of new asphalt concrete on the expanded portions of the roadway.

Based on the Initial Study, San Bernardino County staff has concluded that the project would not have a significant impact on the environment and has therefore recommended preparation of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). The Mitigated Negative Declaration is based on the finding that, by implementing the identified mitigation measures, the project's potential significant adverse impacts will be reduced to a less than significant level.

The Initial Study is available for a 30-day public review period beginning **July 23, 2025, and ending August 23, 2025**. The document can also be accessed online at: <https://dpw.sbcounty.gov/#notices>. Additionally, copies of the document are also available for review at the following physical locations during regular business hours:

Department of Public Works
Environmental Management Division
825 E, Third Street, Rm. 123
San Bernardino, CA 92415

Written comments on the proposed project must be received no later than **August 23, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.** to the attention of **Ayida Smith**, at the address listed below or via email. Your comments should specifically identify what environmental impacts you believe would result from the project, why they are significant, and what changes or mitigation measures you believe should be adopted to eliminate or reduce these impacts. You are also invited to attend and testify at the public hearings as to the appropriateness of this document.

The Board of Supervisors will hold a hearing on the project at a future date at the San Bernardino County Government Center, 385 N. Arrowhead Ave., San Bernardino, CA 92415

For further information as to the future schedule of hearings, please check: <https://cob.sbcounty.gov/board-of-supervisors-meetings/>.

For additional information, please contact Ayida Smith, at (909) 387-1864 or at Ayida.Smith@dpw.sbcounty.gov.

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