

# Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: Avenida Encinas Coastal Rail Trail and Pedestrian Improvements Project, CDP2024-0010/HMP2024-0009

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Project Location: Carlsbad

*City*

San Diego

*County*

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

This city project would construct roadway, bikeway, and pedestrian improvements west of Interstate-5 along an approximately one-mile segment of Avenida Encinas between Palomar Airport Road and a point just south of the Poinsettia Coaster Station Driveway. The project would implement a portion of the regional Coastal Rail Trail. Other improvements would include roadway widening, new pavement, new sidewalks, curb ramps, center landscaped medians, landscaping, bio-filtration swales, median passageways with flashing beacons, lighting, fencing, and retaining walls. The project would require a Major Coastal Development Permit and a Habitat Management Plan Permit. The project is entirely in the Coastal Zone and primarily in existing right of way.

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

Potentially significant impacts in the following resource areas have been identified: biological, cultural, geology/soils, noise, and tribal cultural resources, and mandatory findings of significance. Mitigation measures are proposed to reduce these impacts to less than significant. These measures include:

1. Biological: Proposed measures are designed to minimize impacts to special-status species and natural communities to the greatest extent practicable.
2. Cultural: The proposed measure requires cultural awareness and sensitivity training for construction crews.
3. Geology and soils: The proposed measure requires cessation of work and evaluation by a qualified paleontologist upon evidence of subsurface paleontological resources.
4. Noise: The proposed measure requires a Construction Management Plan to ensure compliance with noise limits. The plan shall be approved by the city prior to construction.
5. Tribal cultural resources: In addition to mitigation proposed for cultural resources, measures have been incorporated into the proposed project design to minimize impacts to tribal cultural resources to the greatest extent practicable. Measures including monitoring during construction by a qualified archaeologist and Luiseño Native American. Measures are consistent with the Carlsbad Tribal, Cultural, and Paleontological Resources Guidelines (2017).
6. Mandatory findings of significance: With incorporation of proposed mitigation measures, the project would not have the potential to substantially degrade environmental quality or cause substantial adverse effects on humans.

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

None at this time.

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

- Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 404 Permit from the U.S. Army Corps Engineers (USACE)
- CWA Section 401 Water Quality Certification and/or Waste Discharge Requirements from the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB)
- California Fish and Game (CFG) Code Section 1602 Streambed Alteration Agreement from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)
- Right-of-entry permit from the Encina Wastewater Authority for offsite grading and drainage improvements.