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SCH #: _____

Project Title: El Camino Real Widening Project, Arenal Road to La Costa Avenue (CIP 6051)

Lead Agency: City of Carlsbad

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Project Location: Carlsbad (*City*) San Diego (*County*)

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

This city project proposes to widen El Camino Real between Arenal Road and La Costa Avenue, install buffered bike lanes and a new sidewalk, construct new pedestrian bridges over San Marcos Creek, abandon and relocated utilities, and perform intersection improvements and restriping. While mostly within existing right of way, the project also proposes to acquire right-of-way. The project proposes grading and impacts to native vegetation. Pursuant to the General Plan, the project proposes a waiver from open space boundary adjustment requirements. An amendment is also proposed to adjust a Habitat Management Plan hardline boundary to accommodate the project's permanent removal of 0.201 acre of hardline preserve areas. The project is in the Coastal Zone.

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, tribal cultural resources, and mandatory findings of signficance. 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: Consistent with the Carlsbad Tribal, Cultural, and Paleontological Resources Guidelines (2017), proposed measures require a paleontological mitigation and monitoring plan and monitoring by a professional paleontologist during project construction.
4. Tribal Cultural: 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.

1. California Coastal Commission
2. California Department of Fish and Wildlife
3. Regional Water Quality Control Board
4. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
5. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service