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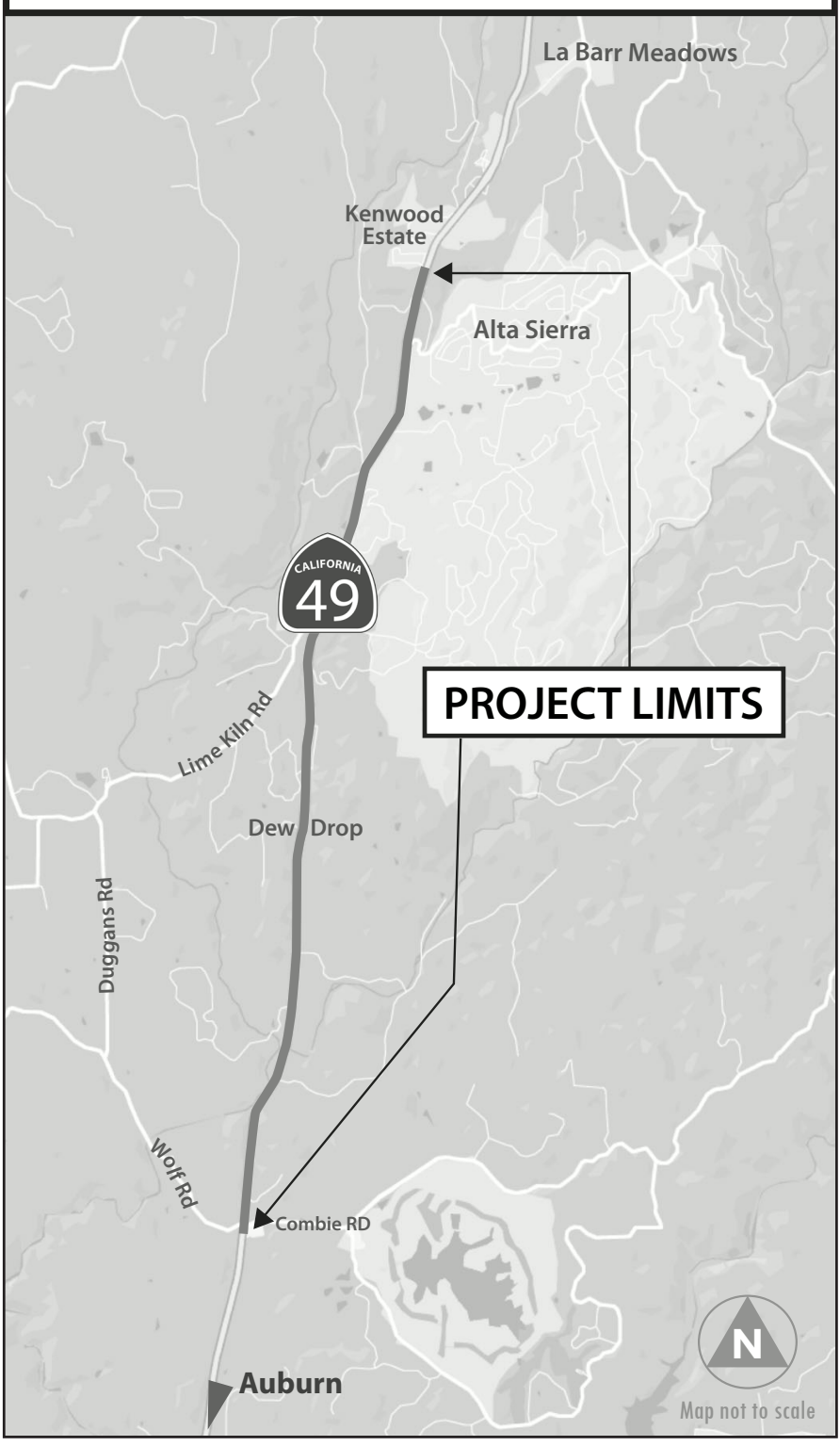
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR STATE ROUTE 49 GRASS VALLEY WILDFIRE EVACUATION ROUTE PROJECT

WHAT IS PLANNED

The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to widen shoulders along State Route 49 from the Wolf Road/Combie Road intersection to Ponderosa Pines Way, to enhance traffic flow during emergencies. The project will also install a two-way left turn lane, widen the existing bridge at South Wolf Creek and construct a new bridge at Rattlesnake Creek. Additionally, the project will upgrade roadway pavement, guardrails and culverts.

STATE ROUTE 49 GRASS VALLEY WILDFIRE EVACUATION



WHAT IS AVAILABLE

The environmental document, referred to as an **Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND)**, is available for review from **December 11, 2025 to January 12, 2026** at the following locations:

- **Grass Valley Library – Royce Branch 207 Mill Street, Grass Valley CA 95945**
- **Bear River Library - 11010 Combie Road, Auburn CA 95602**
- **A physical copy is also available for review, with advance notice for access by calling (530) 265-3202, at Nevada County Transportation Commission - 101 Providence Mine Road, Suite 102, Nevada City CA 95959**

It is also available for review and copy weekdays between 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Caltrans, Office of Environmental Management, 703 B Street, Marysville, CA 95901.

The document can be viewed digitally via Caltrans weblink: https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-3/d3-programs/d3-environmental/d3-environmental-docs/d3-nevada-county

PUBLIC MEETING: WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND

Caltrans has scheduled a public meeting for the project. Attendees can view displays to see the latest updates about the project, ask questions to Caltrans staff and provide input to the project team. The meeting will be held at the **Nevada County Government Center, Board of Supervisors' Chamber** located at **950 Maidu Avenue, Nevada City CA 95959**. **Wednesday, January 7, 2026 6 p.m. to 7 p.m**.

COMMENTS

Please submit your written comments to: **Caltrans, North Region Environmental-District 3, Attention: M5 Environmental Branch Chief 703 B Street, Marysville, CA 95901.** Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to**: GV_Wildfire_Evacuation_Route@dot.ca.gov**

All comments must be received by 5 p.m. on Monday, January 12, 2026

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SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS:

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To obtain a copy in one of these alternative formats, please contact **Public Information Officer Jeremy Linder** at **(530) 701-5209**, or use the **California Relay Service TTY** number, **1-800-735-2929**.

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