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SR-18 Reline or Replace Culverts Project Notice of Preparation of Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration

SAN BERNARDINO – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to repair, reline, or replace twenty-one existing culverts at various locations along SR-18 between 48th Street and SR-138 [Post Mile (PM) T8.0 to R17.8] in the County of San Bernardino. The project would also remove and reconstruct sections of the metal beam guard railing (MBGR) and double thrie beam barrier (DTBB) in locations where replacement of culverts would occur. The existing culverts are in need of repair, relining, or replacing as they have reached their design service life and are experiencing deterioration. The project would restore the drainage systems functionality and extend the design service life of each culvert.

Caltrans studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show the proposed project will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains the effects of the project is called a Draft Initial Study (IS). This notice is to advise you of the preparation of the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and of its availability for you to read, and to offer the opportunity to request a public hearing, public information meeting, or to provide comments, and the intent to adopt this Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Copies of the Draft IS with Proposed MND, including associated maps, are available for review during regular business hours at:

- Crestline Branch Library (24105 Lake Gregory Drive, Crestline, 92325);
- Caltrans District 8, 464 West 4th Street, 6th Floor, MS 823, San Bernardino, CA 92401-1400.

Do you have any comments about processing the project with an IS with Proposed MND? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the IS with (Proposed MND)? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? We'd like to hear what you think. Please submit your comments in writing no later than February 10, 2020, to:

- California Department of Transportation ATTN: Renetta Cloud, Senior Environmental Planner 464 West 4th Street, 6th Floor, MS 823 San Bernardino, CA 92401-1400
- or via email to: SBd-18_Reline_Replace_Culverts @dot.ca.gov. Please include "SR-18 Reline or Replace Culverts Project" in the subject line.

The date we will begin accepting comments is January 10, 2020. If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

For more information about this study or this project, please contact the Caltrans District 8 Office of Public Affairs at (909)383-4631. For individuals with sensory disabilities, this document can be made available in Braille, in large print, on audiocassette, or on computer disk. To obtain a copy in one of these alternate formats, call or write to Renetta Cloud, Senior Environmental Planner, 464 W. 4th Street, 6th floor, MS 823, San Bernardino, CA 92401-1400; (909) 383-6323; or use the California Relay Service 1-800-735-2929 (TTY to Voice), 1-800-735-2922 (Voice to TTY), 1-800-854-7784 (From or to Speech to Speech), or dial 711.