

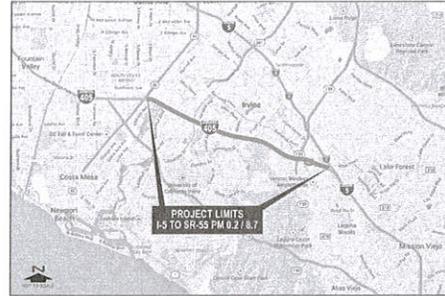


# PUBLIC NOTICE



**INTERSTATE 405 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT  
FROM INTERSTATE 5 TO STATE ROUTE 55  
Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration/Finding of  
No Significant Impact – Study Results – Announcement of Public Hearing**

**WHAT'S BEING PLANNED?** The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), in partnership with the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), proposes to reduce congestion and improve operational efficiency on the San Diego Freeway (I-405) between Interstate 5 (I-5) and State Route 55 (SR-55) in Orange County.



The purpose of the proposed project is to address existing and future traffic demand and provide future mobility on I-405 between I-5 and SR-55 while minimizing environmental and economic impacts.

The proposed project comprises one No Build Alternative (Alternative 1) and two Build Alternatives adding one or two general-purpose (regular) lanes (Alternatives 2 and 3, respectively).

**WHY THIS AD?** Caltrans and OCTA have studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show it will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains why is called a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND)/Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Initial Study/Environmental Assessment (IS/EA). This notice is to tell you of the preparation of the Proposed MND/FONSI and IS/EA and of its availability for you to read and provide comment.

A public hearing (open house format) will be held to give you the opportunity to talk about certain design features of the project with Caltrans and OCTA staff before the final design is selected. The tentative schedule for the purchase of land for right-of-way and construction will be discussed.

**WHAT'S AVAILABLE?** Maps for the proposed MND/FONSI and IS/EA and other project information are available for review and copying (for a fee) at the Department District 12 Office, 1750 E 4th Street, Suite 100, Santa Ana, CA 92705 on weekdays from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. The Proposed MND/FONSI and IS/EA is also available during regular business hours at:

- **Heritage Park Regional Branch Library** – 14361 Yale Avenue, Irvine, CA 92604
- **Mesa Verde Branch Library** – 2969 Mesa Verde Drive E, Costa Mesa, CA 92626
- **El Toro Branch Library** – 24672 Raymond Way, Lake Forest, CA 92630
- And online at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/d12/DEA/405/0K710>

**WHERE YOU COME IN** Do you have any comments about processing the project with a MND/FONSI and the IS/EA? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Proposed MND/FONSI? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? If you cannot attend the hearing, please submit your comments in writing no later than Dec. 15, 2017 to Caltrans District 12, Division of Environmental Analysis, 1750 E 4th Street, Suite 100, Santa Ana, CA 92705 (Attn: Scott Shelley) or email to: [D12.405-South-Improvement-Project@dot.ca.gov](mailto:D12.405-South-Improvement-Project@dot.ca.gov). The date we will begin accepting comments is Nov. 14, 2017. If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

**WHEN AND WHERE?** The public hearing (open house format) will be held at the following date, time and location:

<b>Date:</b> Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2017	<b>Location:</b> University Community Park Multipurpose Room #2 1 Beech Tree Lane Irvine, CA 92612
<b>Time:</b> 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.	

Individuals who require special accommodation (American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating, documentation in alternate formats, etc.) are requested to contact Caltrans District 12 Public Affairs Office at (657) 328-6000 at least 7 days prior to the scheduled open house date. TTD users may contact California Relay Service TTY line at (800) 735-2929 or Voice Line at (800) 735-2922.

**CONTACT** For more information about this study, please call Andrea Hammann, OCTA Community Relations, at (714) 560-5573 or visit the project webpage at [www.octa.net/oc405south](http://www.octa.net/oc405south).