

Notice of Section 401 Application Reception

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Project Name: Mid County Parkway Ramona Expressway Construction Contract 3

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Project Location: 33.83138391° N, -117.0484834° W

Project City: San Jacinto

Project County: Riverside

Applicant Organization: Riverside County Transportation Commission

Applicant Name: Aaron Hake

Waterboard Staff: TBA

Brief Description of Project:

Project Description: The purpose of the project is to provide a transportation facility that would effectively and efficiently accommodate regional west-east movement of people, goods, and services between and through Perris and San Jacinto. More specifically, the project would: Provide increased capacity to support the forecast travel demand for the 2040 design year; Provide a limited access facility; Provide roadway geometrics to meet County of Riverside roadway design standards; Accommodate Surface Transportation Assistance Act National Network trucks Provide a facility that is compatible with a future multimodal transportation system; and Improve safety along Ramona Expressway within the project corridor.

Project Activities: The Mid County Parkway (MCP) project as a whole involves the construction of freeway-to-freeway system interchanges and freeway to local arterials service interchanges; freeway improvements with the addition of auxiliary freeway lanes and modifying existing freeways; and the building of new bridges. The project is broken into seven phases with each phase being approximately five years apart. For the purpose of this notification, the Mid County Parkway Ramona Expressway Construction Contract 3 Project (MCP3) is the second design package and proposes improvements along 8.6 miles of Ramona Expressway from one mile east of Rider Street to Warren Road in the County of Riverside and City of San Jacinto (refer to Enclosure A, Figure 1: Project Location). This segment of Ramona Expressway currently has one lane in each direction with passing lanes between 5th Street and Bridge Street. The project will provide two lanes in each direction, add a raised median to separate eastbound and westbound lanes, add a Class II bike lane in each direction, build a bridge over the San Jacinto River, modify

three existing signalized intersections, install one new signalized intersection, and construct a wildlife crossing (refer to Enclosure B, Site Plan). The right-of-way width for the facility ranges typically from 142 feet to 370 feet (ft). The width varies due to the required roadway features to accommodate the proposed San Jacinto River bridge and wildlife crossing. The facility would follow several design standards such as the Caltrans Highway Design Manual, and Riverside County Ordinance No. 461.11 2023 County Road Standards and County Standard Specifications. Other project improvements include removing the existing asphalt and base to accommodate widening, removing the existing raised median and channelizers, and implementing proper roadside drainage features, such as culverts and swales. The bridge over the San Jacinto River would be constructed parallel to the existing bridge. The new bridge would accommodate two eastbound lanes and a class II bike lane, approximately 2,114 ft long. The bridge has been designed to minimize floodplain encroachment and reduce hydraulic impacts. The new bridge would be approximately 112 ft apart from the existing bridge. The width of the bridge would be 161.5 ft. The bridge would completely avoid RWQCB jurisdictional areas, including wetlands, while crossing the river floodplain. All abutments and pier bents will be located outside all waters of the United States and RWQCB jurisdictional areas. Other elements expected to occur within this segment that are located outside RWQCB jurisdiction include: intersection improvements, utility relocation, lighting, fencing, wildlife fencing, wildlife jumpouts, restriping, and driveway improvements. Construction Schedule: Construction is anticipated to begin in early 2026 and be completed by early 2028, for a total construction duration of approximately 2 years (24) months.