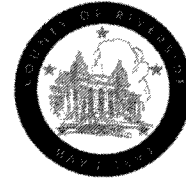


**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM**  
3.25  
(ID # 5582)

**MEETING DATE:**

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

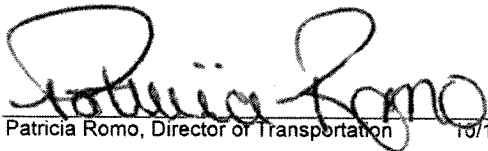
**FROM :** TLMA-TRANSPORTATION:

**SUBJECT:** TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/TRANSPORTATION  
DEPARTMENT: Adopt a Final Initial Study with Mitigated Negative Declaration  
and Approve the Salt Creek Trail Project within the Cities of Menifee and Hemet.  
3rd and 5th Districts; [\$0]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt a Final Initial Study with Mitigated Negative Declaration and adopt a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program based on the findings in the Initial Study and the conclusion that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment;
2. Approve the Salt Creek Trail Project;
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to file the Notice of Determination with the County Clerk for posting within five (5) working days of the approval of the project.

**ACTION:** Policy

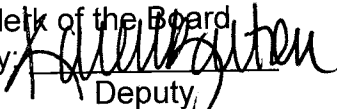
  
Patricia Romo, Director of Transportation 10/19/2017

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Ashley, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Perez and Ashley  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: November 14, 2017  
xc: Transp., Recorder

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> There are no General Funds used in this project.			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b>	No
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b>	17/18

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve**

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

The Salt Creek Trail is a proposed 16-mile multi-purpose regional trail envisioned to serve western Riverside County by providing connections to cities, communities, commercial areas, schools, and recreational facilities from the City of Hemet through the unincorporated community of Winchester and the City of Menifee to the City of Canyon Lake. This trail, generally located along the Salt Creek flood control channel, is part of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2035 Bikeway Network as outlined in the 2012-2014 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and meets the goals of increasing active transportation and improving bicycle and pedestrian safety.

The Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District (Park District) and the County of Riverside Transportation Department (Transportation Department) have been working cooperatively toward developing the first phase of the regional Salt Creek Trail facility consisting of two segments (western and eastern) within the Cities of Menifee and Hemet (Project), totaling approximately 7.9 miles. The western segment of the Project within the City of Menifee is generally located along the north side of the Salt Creek flood control channel from the intersection of Goetz Road and Canyon Lake Drive north of Newport Road to the intersection of Antelope Road and Aldergate Drive east of Interstate 215. The segment of the Project within the City of Hemet is located in the vicinity of the Salt Creek drainage course, specifically along the north side of Domenigoni Parkway from Sanderson Avenue to State Street, and along the west side of State Street from Domenigoni Parkway to Chambers Street. The proposed Project generally consists of a paved Class I Bike Path (approximately 14' wide) adjacent to a soft surface walking path (approximately 5' wide).

The preparation of the environmental documentation for this Project is consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The County of Riverside, in cooperation with the Cities of Menifee and Hemet, is the lead agency for CEQA and based on delegation by the Federal Highway Administration, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is the lead agency for NEPA. As the lead agency under the CEQA, the County prepared an Initial Study (IS) with proposed Mitigated

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Negative Declarations (MND) in order to analyze the proposed Project's impacts to the environment.

The Draft IS/MND was circulated for a 30-day public review period from August 9, 2017 to September 7, 2017. Physical copies of the documents were made available for public review at the County Transportation Department Annex Office, City of Menifee Planning Division, City of Hemet Planning Department, County of Riverside Public Library-Sun City Branch and City of Hemet Public Library and an electronic copy of the document was made available online at the County Transportation Department Project website. The public was notified of the availability of the document through a Notice of Availability (NOA) of a Draft IS and a Notice of Intent (NOI) to adopt a Proposed MND for the Project on August 9, 2017. The NOA/NOI was posted at the Riverside County Clerk's office and published in the Press Enterprise in English and La Prensa in Spanish. In addition, the NOA/NOI was mailed to federal, state and local agencies, tribal governments, utility companies and to property owners within a 500-foot radius of the Project site.

Furthermore, two (2) open houses were held during the public circulation period. The first meeting was held on August 24, 2017 for the eastern segment of the Project at the Frances Domenigoni/Winchester Community Center in Winchester. The second meeting was held on August 31, 2017 for the western segment of the Project at the Kay Ceniceros Senior Center in Menifee. Public comments were received by the County and the County has prepared responses to these comments which have been incorporated into the Final IS/MND. Based on the study's findings, the County has determined that the proposed Project will not have a significant effect on the environment because potential effects would be mitigated to a less than significant level through the incorporation of mitigation measures.

The adoption of the Final Initial Study with Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP) will complete the CEQA environmental documentation for the Project.

Final design is currently ongoing and will be completed by early 2018. Construction is expected to begin in late 2018.

Project No.: C5-0068, Federal Project No. CML 5956 (241), Salt Creek Trail Project

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

The 16-mile Salt Creek regional trail, when complete, will provide residents with a paved Class I Bike Path from the City of Hemet through the unincorporated community of Winchester and the City of Menifee to the City of Canyon Lake. It will provide the opportunity for expansion of local and regional trail systems, sidewalks, and bike path connections from the trail to surrounding communities, schools, commercial areas and ultimately two key regional recreational facilities at Lake Skinner and Diamond Valley Lake. The trail will provide a new recreational amenity to the area and significantly improve quality-of-life for residents.

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**SUPPLEMENTAL:**

**Additional Fiscal Information**

The Board's approval of the CEQA documents will facilitate the Project moving forward to seek construction funding. The Project will be funded through federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality program funds, as well as local Park District funds. There are no General Funds used in this Project.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Vicinity Map
- Final IS/MND with MMRP
- NOA/NOI to Adopt MND
- Notice of Determination
- Journal Voucher for CDFW & County Clerk Fee

  
Melissa Noone, Associate Management Analyst

11/3/2017

  
Gregory S. Priamos, Director County Counsel

11/1/2017



Original Negative Declaration/Notice of Determination was routed to County Clerks for posting on.



*Via transp.*

# NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

EA No. \_\_\_\_\_

SCH# 2017081016

**PROJECT NAME:** Salt Creek Trail

**DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION:** The County of Riverside proposes to construct and operate two segments of the Salt Creek Trail, totaling approximately 7.9 miles which would contribute to the County's ultimate goal for an approximately 16-mile long multi-use trail connecting the cities of Hemet and Menifee. The western segment spans approximately 4.3 miles in the City of Menifee from the intersection of Goetz Road and Canyon Lake Drive north of Newport Road to the intersection of Antelope Road and Aldergate Drive east of Interstate 215. The eastern segment spans approximately 3.6 miles in the City of Hemet from the intersection of Sanderson Avenue and Domenigoni Parkway to the intersection of State Street and Chambers Street.

- 1. The project [ will  will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2.  An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 3.  A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 4. Mitigation measures [ were  were not] made a condition of the approval of this project.
- 5. A Mitigation Monitoring plan [was  was not ] adopted.
- 6. A statement of Overriding Considerations [ was  was not] adopted for this project.

The project will not have a significant effect on the environment and a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been adopted pursuant to CEQA and may be examined, along with administrative record, at the Riverside County Transportation Department, 3525 14th Street, Riverside, 92501 and <http://rprojects.org/salt-creek-trail/public-documents/>.

The Final EIR may be examined, along with administrative record, at the Transportation Department, 4080 Lemon Street, 8th fl, Riverside, California 92501.

*Russell Williams* Title Environmental Div. Manager Date 10/13/17  
Russell Williams

*Patricia Romo* Title Director of Transportation Date 10/16/17  
Patricia Romo

**HEARING BODY OR OFFICER**

XX Board of Supervisors  
\_\_\_\_\_ Planning Commission

**ACTION ON PROJECT**

X Approval  
\_\_\_\_\_ Disapproval  
Date: 11/14/17

*Kareem Baytan* Title Board Assistant Date 11/14/17  
Verifying: \_\_\_\_\_

**For County Clerk Use**

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**RIVERSIDE COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER  
AUTHORIZATION  
TO BILL  
BY JOURNAL VOUCHER**

-TO BE FILLED IN BY SUBMITTING AGENCY-

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AUTHORIZATIONNUMBER: W.O.#ZC50068C , Task Code Z1530

AMOUNT: \$2,266.25 (\$50.00 County Clerk Processing Fee + \$2,216.25 CDFW MND Filing Fee)

DATE: October 12, 2017

AGENCY: Riverside County Transportation Department

THIS AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER TO ISSUE A VOUCHER FOR PAYMENT OF ALL FILING AND HANDLING FEES FOR THE ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENT(S).

NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS INCLUDED: One (1)

AUTHORIZED BY: Russell Williams, Environmental Division Manager

Signature: *Mary Zambon*

PRESENTED BY: Frances Segovia, Senior Transportation Planner

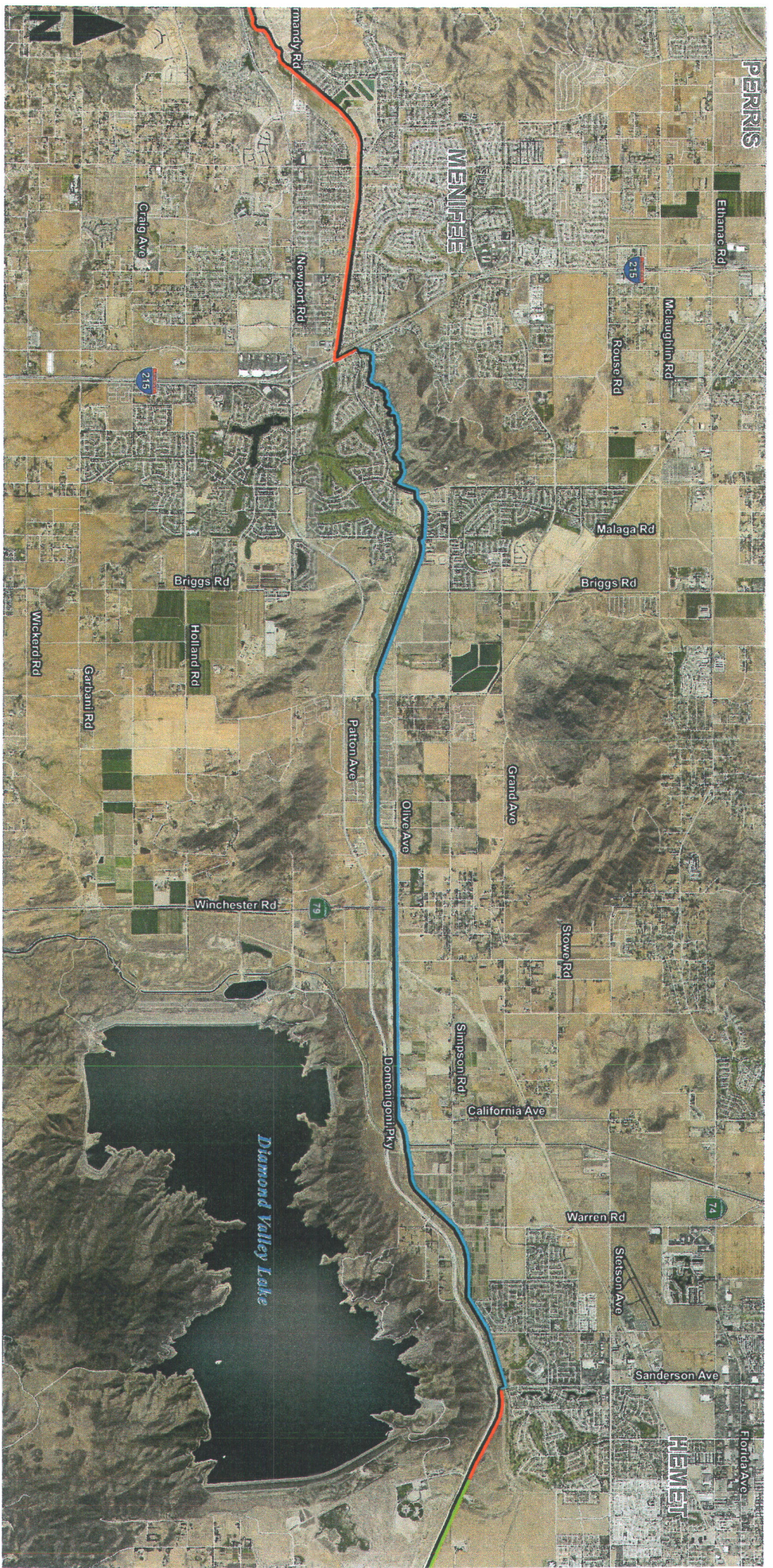
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ACCEPTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_




DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIPT # (S) \_\_\_\_\_

# 16 MILE SALT CREEK TRAIL



## LEGEND

-  **Current Project - environmental document and construction li**
-  **Current Project - environmental document only**
-  **Future Project**

County of Riverside  
 Peter Aldana  
 Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder

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## Public Notice

### of Availability of a Draft Initial Study and Opt Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration Salt Creek Trail Project

#### PUBLIC MEETING: WHERE AND WHEN

Public meetings have not been scheduled for the project described in this notice. Please refer to the County of Riverside's project website, <http://rcprojects.org/salt-creek-trail/>, for information regarding the upcoming public meetings to be conducted for the proposed project.

#### WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The County of Riverside proposes to construct and operate two segments of the Salt Creek Trail, totaling approximately 7.9 miles which would contribute to the County's ultimate goal for an approximately 16-mile long multi-use trail connecting the cities of Hemet and Menifee. As shown on the back of this notice, the western segment spans approximately 4.3 miles through the City of Menifee and the eastern segment spans approximately 3.6 miles through the City of Hemet. The western segment of the trail spans the City of Menifee from the intersection of Goetz Road and Canyon Lake Drive north of Newport Road to the intersection of Antelope Road and Aldergate Drive east of Interstate 215. The eastern segment of the trail spans the City of Hemet from the intersection of Sanderson Avenue and Domenigoni Parkway to the intersection of State Street and Chambers Street.

#### WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

The County of Riverside has studied the proposed project and concluded that it would not significantly affect the environment. The report detailing this finding is called an Initial Study. This notice serves to advertise the availability of the Draft Initial Study and your opportunity to read and comment on it, as well as the opportunity to attend public meetings. The Riverside County Board of Supervisors will consider approval of the project and adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the project after September 7, 2017.

#### WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Draft Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Salt Creek Trail Project will be available beginning August 9, 2017. This document will be available for 30 days from August 9, 2017 until September 7, 2017. The document will also be available for review at the following locations:

- County of Riverside Transportation Department, 3525 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Riverside, CA 92501 (Monday – Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
- City of Menifee, Planning Division, 29714 Haun Road, Menifee, CA 92586 (Monday – Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
- City of Hemet, Planning Department, 445 E. Florida Ave., Hemet, CA 92543 (Monday – Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
- County of Riverside Public Library, Sun City Branch, 26982 Cherry Hills Boulevard, Menifee, CA 92586 (During normal library hours)
- City of Hemet Public Library, 300 E. Latham Avenue, Hemet, CA 92543 (During normal library hours)
- <http://rcprojects.org/salt-creek-trail/public-documents/>

#### WHERE YOU COME IN

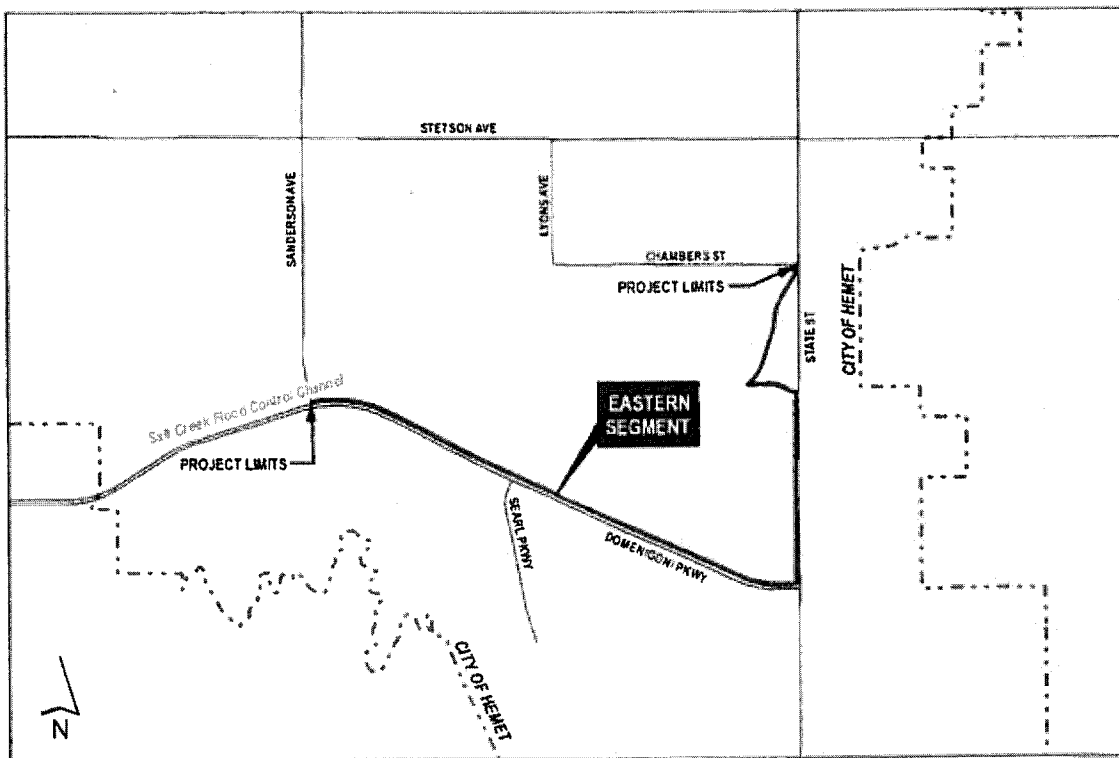
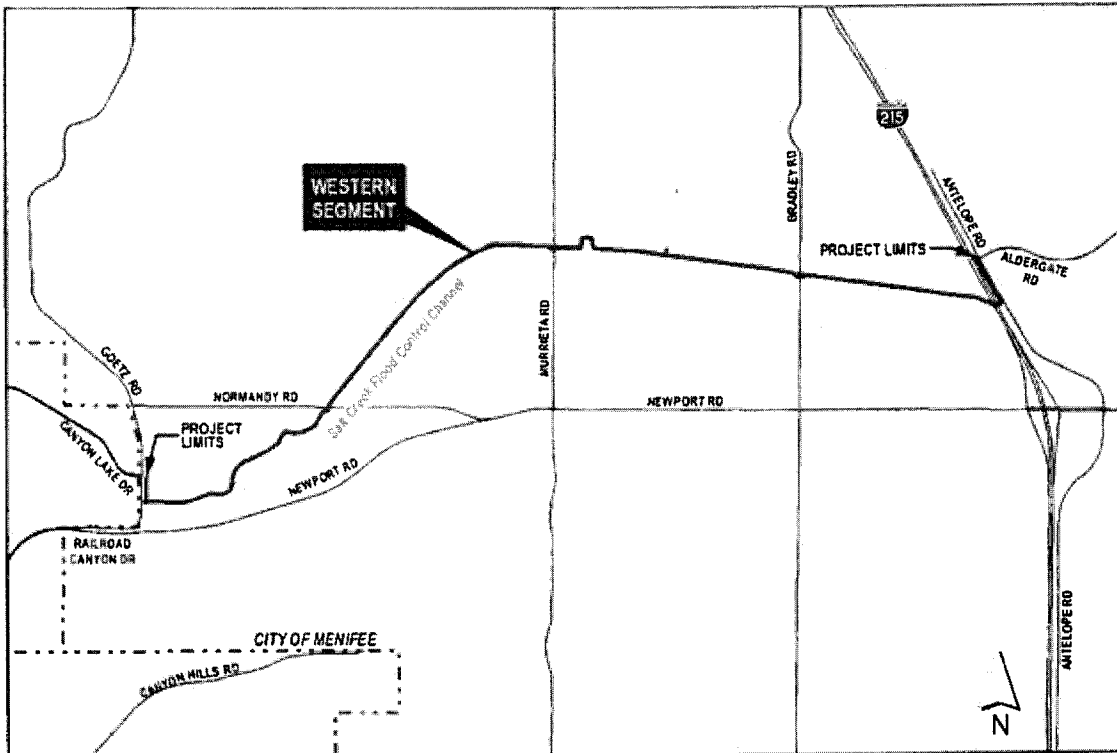
Please submit your comments in writing no later than September 7, 2017 to Frances Segovia, Riverside County Transportation Department, 3525 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Riverside, CA 92501. The date we will begin accepting comments is August 9, 2017. Based on study findings in the MND, the Riverside County Transportation Department has determined that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment because potential effects would be mitigated to a less than significant level through the incorporation of the mitigation measures. Potentially significant impacts for which mitigation measures were incorporated include Biological Resources and Cultural Resources. Pursuant to Section 15072(f)(5) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, it has been determined that the project site is not identified on any of the lists enumerated under Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code pertaining to hazardous wastes. Your written comments will be considered in the decision on the project and will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors before action is taken on the project. Notice of said decision will be mailed to any person requesting notification. No decision will be taken until after the review period is complete.

#### CONTACT

For more information about this project or to receive a copy of the Draft Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Salt Creek Trail Project, please contact Frances Segovia, Senior Transportation Planner, Riverside County Transportation Department, at (951) 955-1646 or [FSEGOVIA@RIVCO.ORG](mailto:FSEGOVIA@RIVCO.ORG). Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, this document will be made available in alternate formats by contacting the individual noted above.



# Salt Creek Trail Project



## Aviso Público

### Aviso de Disponibilidad del Estudio Inicial Preliminar y Intento de Adoptar una Declaración Negativa Mitigada Proyecto del Camino Salt Creek

#### REUNIÓN PÚBLICA: DONDE Y CUANDO

No se han planeado reuniones públicas para el proyecto descrito en este aviso. Por favor refiérase al sitio web del proyecto del Condado de Riverside, <http://rcprojects.org/salt-creek-trail/>, para obtener información sobre las próximas reuniones públicas que se llevarán a cabo para el proyecto propuesto.

#### ¿QUÉ SE ESTÁ PLANEANDO?

El Condado de Riverside se propone construir y operar dos segmentos del Camino Salt Creek, totalizando aproximadamente 7.9 millas que contribuirían a la meta final del Condado de un multiuso camino de aproximadamente 16 millas de largo que conecta las ciudades de Hemet y Menifee. Como se muestra en la parte posterior de este aviso, el segmento occidental se extiende aproximadamente 4.3 millas a través de la Ciudad de Menifee y el segmento oriental se extiende aproximadamente 3.6 millas a través de la Ciudad de Hemet. El segmento occidental del camino se extiende sobre la Ciudad de Menifee desde la intersección de Goetz Road y Canyon Lake Drive al norte de Newport Road hasta la intersección de Antelope Road y Aldergate Drive al este de la Interestatal 215. El segmento oriental del camino se extiende sobre la Ciudad de Hemet desde la intersección de Sanderson Avenue y Domenigoni Parkway hasta la intersección de State Street y Chambers Street.

#### ¿POR QUÉ ESTE AVISO?

El Condado de Riverside ha estudiado el proyecto propuesto y concluyó que no afectaría significativamente al medio ambiente. El reporte que detalla este hallazgo se llama un Estudio Inicial. Este aviso sirve para anunciar la disponibilidad del Estudio Inicial Preliminar y su oportunidad de leer y comentar sobre el reporte, así como la oportunidad de asistir a las reuniones públicas como se anuncian en este aviso. La Junta de Supervisores del Condado de Riverside considerará la aprobación del proyecto y la adopción de una Declaración Negativa Mitigada (MND, por su acrónimo en inglés) para el proyecto después del 7 de septiembre de 2017.

#### ¿QUE ESTA DISPONIBLE?

Este Estudio Inicial Preliminar con propuesta Declaración Negativa Mitigada para el Proyecto del Camino Salt Creek estará disponible por 30 días a partir del 9 de agosto de 2017 hasta el 7 de septiembre de 2017. El documento también estará disponible para revisión en los siguientes lugares:

- Departamento de Transportación del Condado de Riverside, 3525 14th Street, Riverside, CA 92501 (lunes – jueves, 8:00 a.m. hasta 5:00 p.m.)
- Ciudad de Menifee, División de Planificación, 29714 Haun Road, Menifee, CA 92586 (lunes – jueves, 8:00 a.m. hasta 5:00 p.m.)
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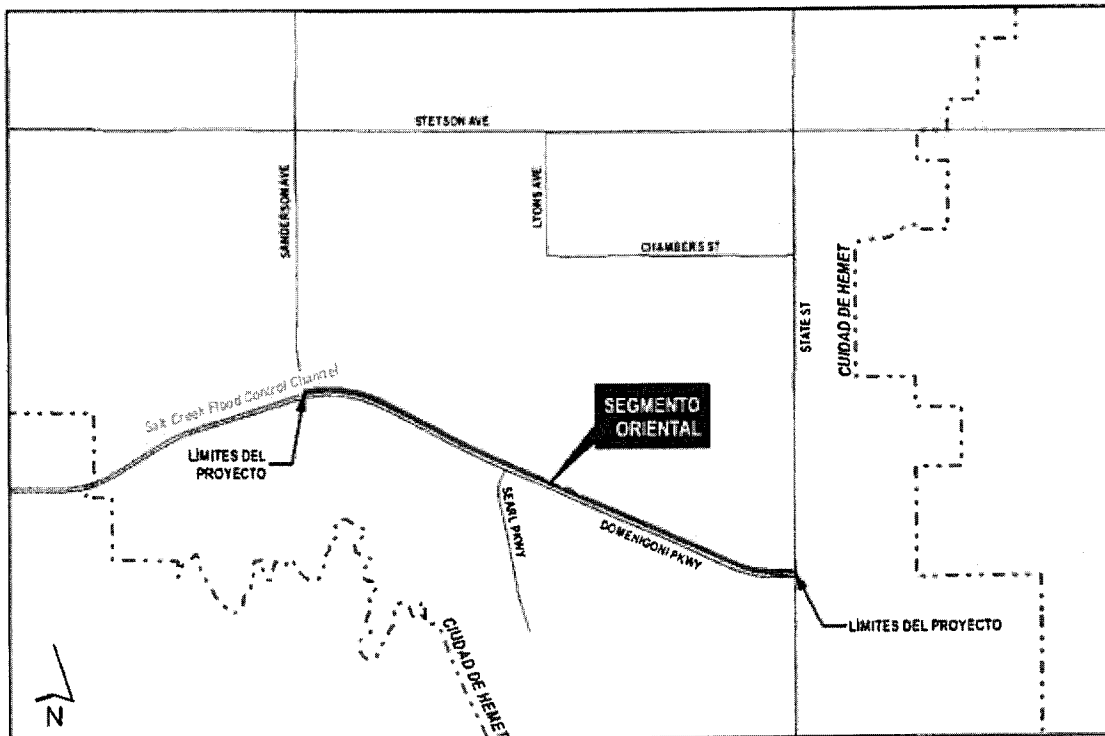
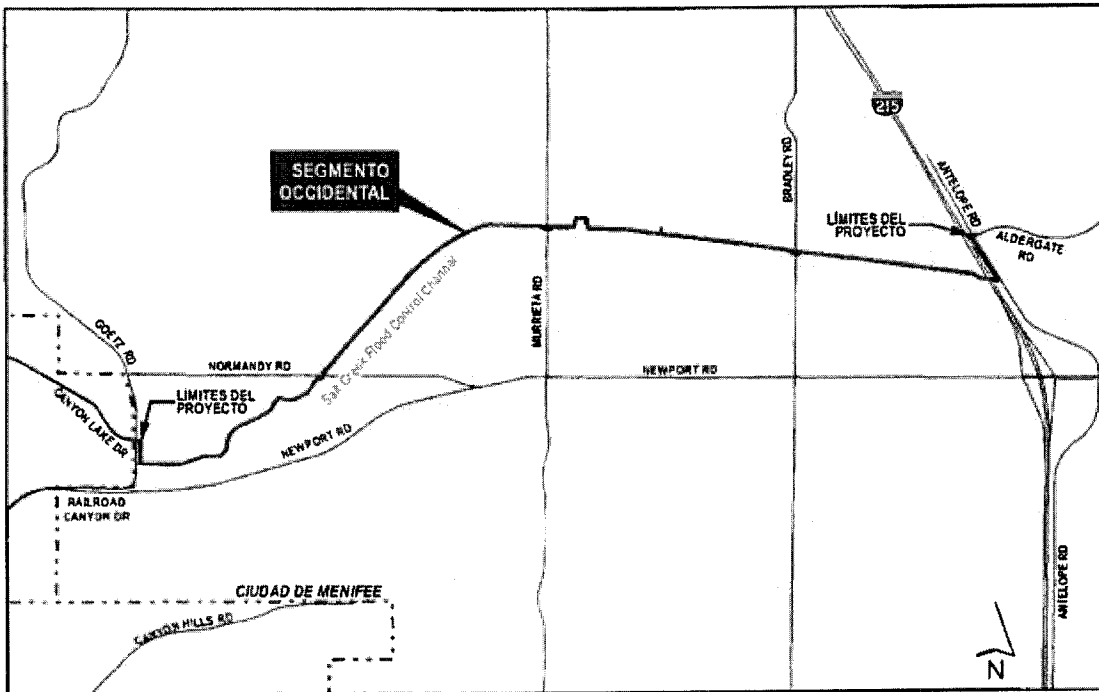
#### DONDE ENTRA USTED

Por favor, envíe sus comentarios por escrito no más tarde que el 7 de septiembre de 2017 a Frances Segovia, Riverside County Transportation Department, 3525 14th Street, Riverside, CA 92501. La fecha en que comenzaremos aceptar comentarios será el 9 de agosto de 2017. Basado en los hallazgos de la MND, el Departamento de Transportación del Condado de Riverside ha determinado que el proyecto propuesto no tendrá un efecto significativo sobre el medio ambiente porque los efectos potenciales se mitigarían a un nivel menos que significativo a través de la incorporación de las medidas de mitigación. Los impactos potencialmente significativos para los cuales se incorporaron medidas de mitigación incluyen Recursos Biológicos y Recursos Culturales. De acuerdo con la Sección 15072 (f) (5) de las Directrices de la Acta de Calidad Ambiental de California, se ha determinado que el sitio del proyecto no está identificado en ninguna de las listas enumeradas en la Sección 65962.5 del Código del Gobierno de California referente a desechos peligrosos. Sus comentarios por escrito serán considerados en la decisión sobre el proyecto y serán enviados a la Junta de Supervisores antes de que se tome una decisión sobre el proyecto. El aviso de dicha decisión será enviado por correo a cualquier persona que solicite la notificación. No se tomará ninguna decisión hasta que se finalice el periodo de revisión.

#### CONTACTO

Para más información sobre este proyecto o para recibir una copia del Estudio Inicial Preliminar con Propuesta Declaración Negativa Mitigada para el Proyecto del Camino de Salt Creek, por favor comuníquese con Frances Segovia, Senior Transportation Planner, Riverside County Transportation Department, llamando al (951) 955-1646, o por correo electrónico a [FSEGOVIA@RIVCO.ORG](mailto:FSEGOVIA@RIVCO.ORG). Bajo la Ley de Estadounidense con Discapacidades del Acto de Discapacidades de 1990, este documento estará disponible en formatos alternativos poniéndose en contacto con el individuo mencionado anteriormente.

# Proyecto del Camino Salt Creek



ATTACHMENTS FILED WITH  
THE CLERK OF THE BOARD