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Responsible Agencies, Review Agencies, Organizations, and Individuals interested in the Shoemaker Bridge Replacement Project File: 07-LA-710 (PM6.0/6.4) SCH: 2016041007

Shoemaker Bridge Replacement Project

Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Impact Report/ Finding of No Significant Impact (FEIR/FONSI)

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), in cooperation with the City of Long Beach, has completed the Final Environmental Impact Report/ Finding of No Significant Impact (FEIR/FONSI) for the Shoemaker Bridge Replacement Project. The proposed project is located at the southern end of the State Route 710 corridor and leads to the City of Long Beach. The project would reconstruct Shoemaker Bridge and realign local street connections in the area.

Caltrans, as the lead agency under National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and City of Long Beach, as the lead agency under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) has formally identified Alternative 3 (Design Option A) as the "preferred alternative". The Project's Preferred Alternative will remove existing Shoemaker Bridge in the City of Long Beach and the Design Option will construct a roundabout to connect SR-710, Shoreline Drive and 7th Street. Based on the Preferred Alternative, City of Long Beach has determined that there are no significant impacts to the environmental as a result of the proposed Project with the avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures as implemented in the CEQA Findings. Caltrans, as assigned by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), has issued a FONSI in accordance with NEPA.

All comments received during the public review period have been considered and addressed in Appendix K (Response to Comments) of the FEIR/FONSI.

The Final EIR/ FONSI is available on the City of Long Beach website: http://www.longbeach.gov/pw/resources/general/shoemaker-bridge/.

For additional information, please contact Jason Roach, Senior Environmental Planner at Jason.Roach@dot.ca.gov. Thank you for your interest in this important transportation study.

Sincerely,

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