

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: May 28, 2015

Reference No.: 2.2c.(3)
Action Item

From: NORMA ORTEGA
Chief Financial Officer

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Division of
Environmental Analysis

Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolutions E-15-19, E-15-20, E-15-21, E-15-22, E-15-23, and E-15-24.

ISSUE:

01-MEN-101, PM 3.75/5.30 **RESOLUTION E-15-19**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- State Route 101 (SR 101) in Mendocino County. Repair slide damage on SR 101 near the town of Hopland. (PPNO 4550)

This project in Mendocino County will stabilize two active landslide areas and restore the roadway at the slide areas on SR 101. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. The estimated cost is \$18,305,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2015-16. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment after mitigation. The following resource areas may be impacted by the project: biological resources, hazardous waste, water quality, and visual and aesthetics. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, using natural occurring colors on the retaining walls, re-vegetation using native plant species, using BMPs for erosion control,

implementing an Asbestos Compliance Plan and a Lead Compliance Plan, and conducting pre-construction nesting bird surveys. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 1

ISSUE:

03-ED-49, PM 23.66/24.42

RESOLUTION E-15-20

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- State Route 49 (SR 49) in El Dorado County. Seismic retrofit or replace existing bridge on SR 49 near the town of Lotus. (PPNO 3122)

This project in El Dorado County will replace the South Fork American Bridge on SR 49 near the towns of Coloma and Lotus. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. The estimated cost is \$20,817,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2015-16. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program.

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Attachment 2

ISSUE:

04-NAP-29, PM 37.0

RESOLUTION E-15-21

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- State Route 29 (SR 29) in Napa County. Replace existing bridge on SR 29 near the city of Calistoga. (PPNO 0587G)

This project in Napa County will replace the existing Napa River Bridge in the City of Calistoga. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. The estimated cost is \$15,918,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2015-16. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program.

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Attachment 3

ISSUE:

08-SBd-15, PM 172.11 & 173.84
RESOLUTION E-15-22

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- Interstate 15 (I-15) in San Bernardino County. Rehabilitate two existing bridges on I-15 near the Nevada state line. (PPNO 0172X)

This project in San Bernardino County will repair or replace the existing bridges at Cenda Ditch and Wheaton Wash on I-15 near the Nevada state line. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. The estimated cost is \$16,864,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2015-16. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment after mitigation. The following resource area may be impacted by the project: biological resources. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, the construction of Desert Tortoise fencing prior to any ground disturbing activities, and tortoise education programs to be presented prior to workers entering the construction site. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 4

ISSUE:

09-Mno-395, PM 80.6/84.1
RESOLUTION E-15-23

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- United States Route 395 (U.S. 395) in Mono County. Construct roadway improvements on a portion of U.S. 395 near the town of Bridgeport. (PPNO 0604)

This project in Mono County will widen the paved shoulders on a portion of U.S. 395 near the town of Bridgeport. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. The estimated cost is \$16,574,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2016-17. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will result in less than significant impacts to the environment after mitigation. The following resource areas may be impacted by the project: biological resources and cultural resources. Avoidance and minimization measures will reduce any potential effects on the environment. These measures include, but are not limited to, the establishment of environmentally sensitive areas for biological resources and cultural resources, on or off-site planting, enhancement, or preservation for riparian habitat, and the purchase of in lieu fee credits for wetland creation or enhancement. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 5

ISSUE:

10-Cal-4, PM 43.8/44.3
RESOLUTION E-15-24

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- State Route 4 (SR 4) in Calaveras County. Construct roadway improvements including widening shoulders and adding gutters on a portion of SR 4 near the community of Arnold. (PPNO 3248)

This project in Calaveras County will widen shoulders and add gutters on a portion of SR 4 near the Community of Arnold in Big Trees State Park. The project is programmed in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. The estimated cost is \$15,891,000 for capital and

support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2015-16. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2014 State Highway Operation and Protection Program.

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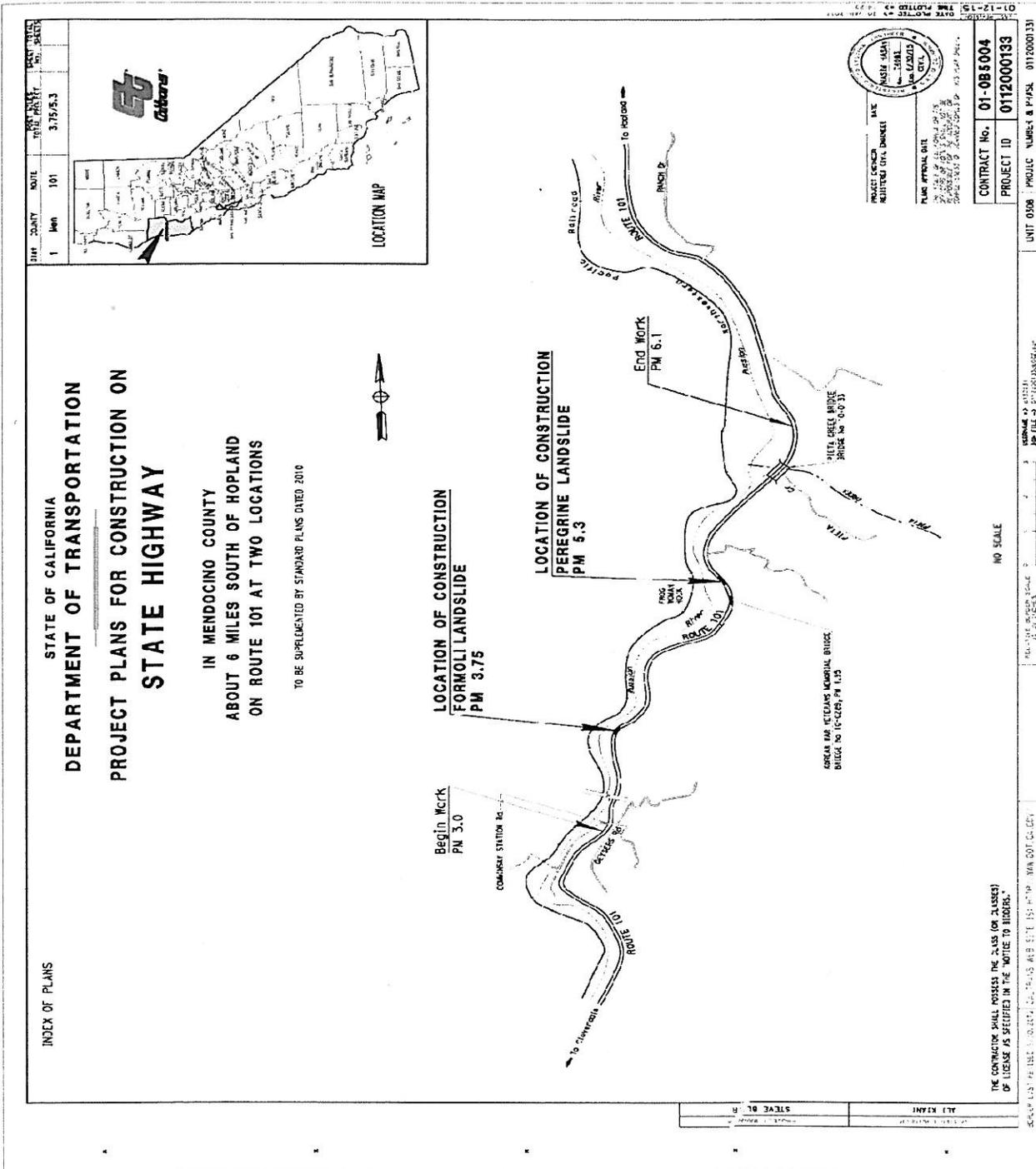
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CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding
01-MEN-101, PM 3.75/5.30
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- 1.3** **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.4** **WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2.1** **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

ATTACHMENT 1



Project Location Map

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Resolution E-15-20

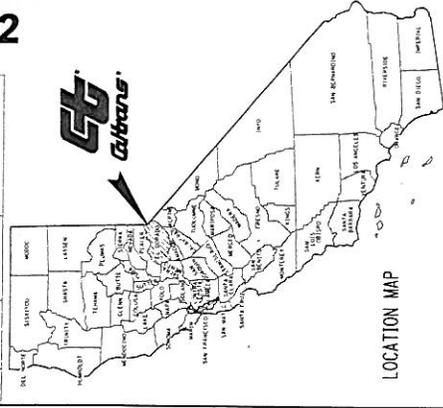
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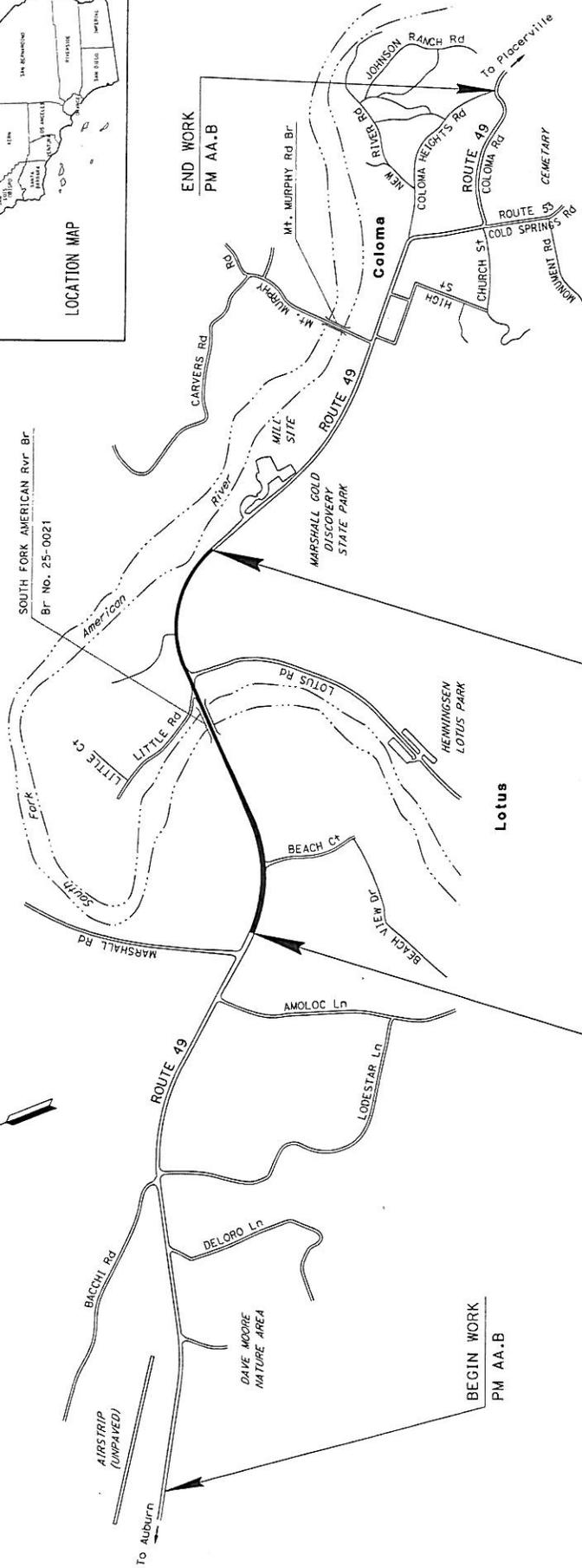
INDEX OF PLANS

DIST	COUNTY	ROUTE	POST MILES
03	ED	49	TOTAL PROJECT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECT PLANS FOR CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY



TO BE SUPPLEMENTED BY STANDARD PLANS DATED 2010



PROJECT ENGINEER
REGISTERED CIVIL ENGINEER
JUSTIN A. DICK
No. 5888
Exp. 12/31/15

DATE
PRELIMINARY DESIGN

PLANS APPROVAL DATE
THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA OR ITS
AGENTS SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
COMPLETENESS OF SEALED COPIES OF THIS PLAN SHEET.

CONTRACT No.	00-000004
PROJECT ID	000000000

END CONSTRUCTION
Sta "CCN1" XX+YY PM 23.66

NO SCALE

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL POSSESS THE CLASS (OR CLASSES)
OF LICENSE AS SPECIFIED IN THE "NOTICE TO BIDDERS."

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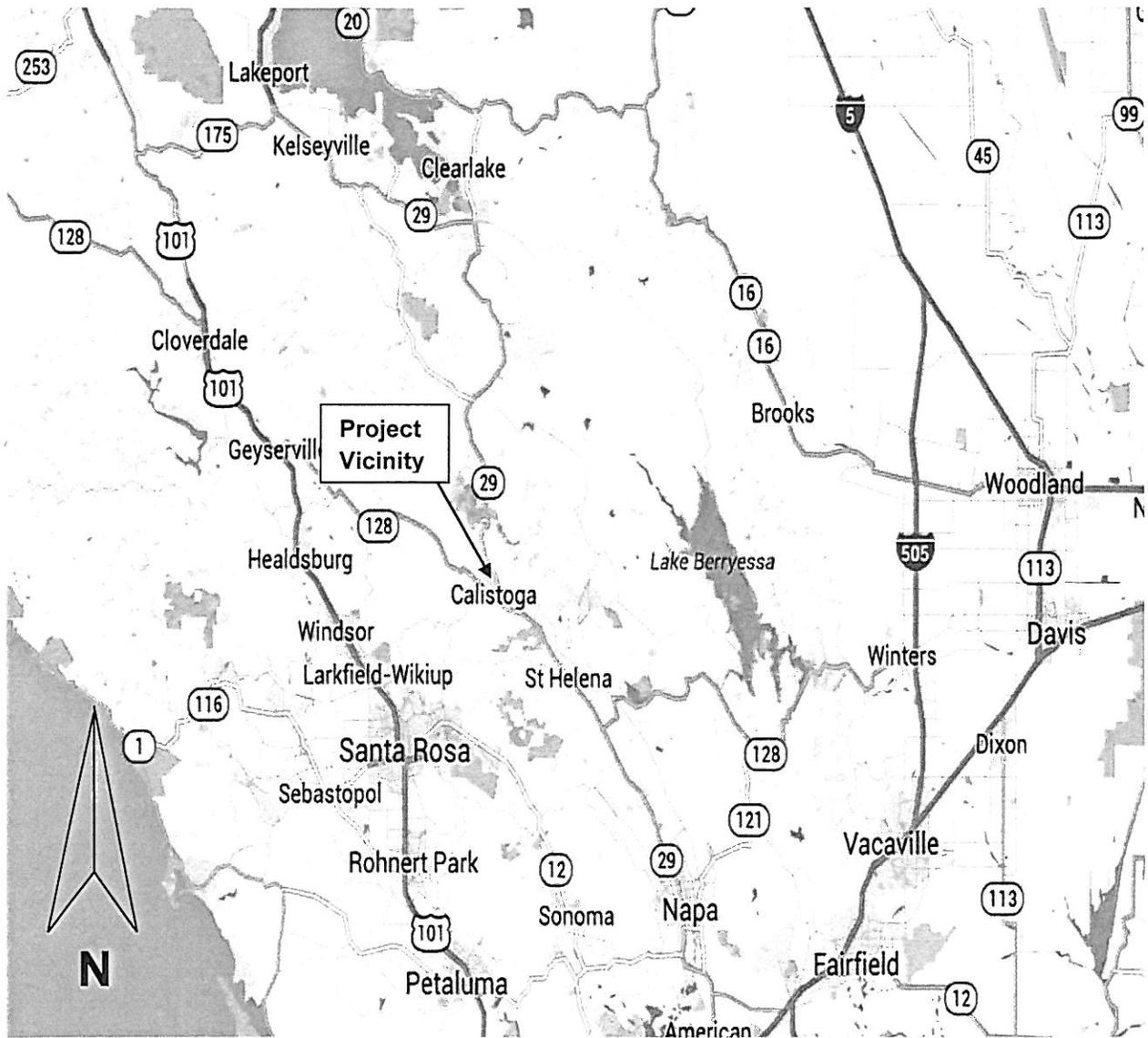
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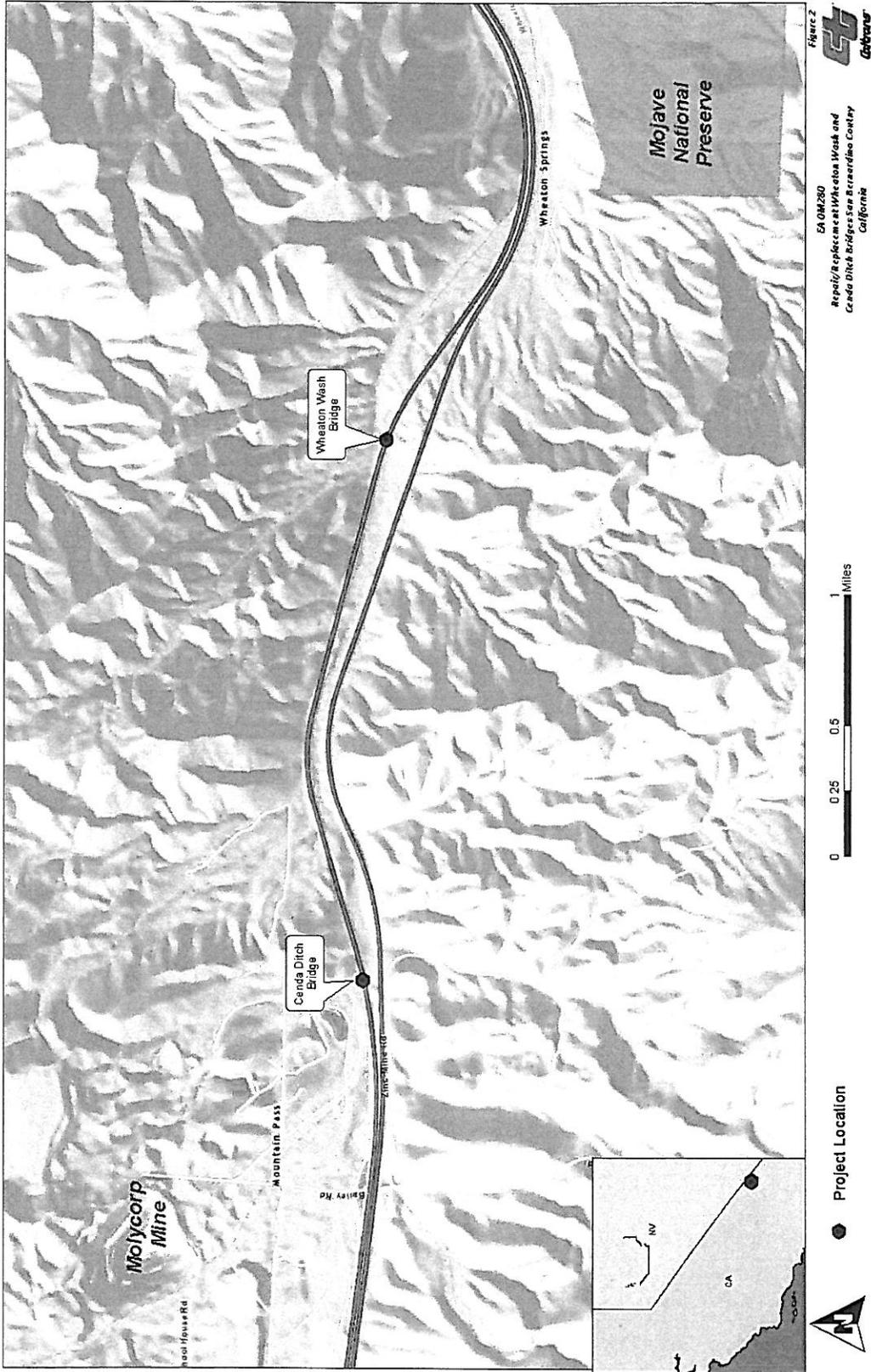


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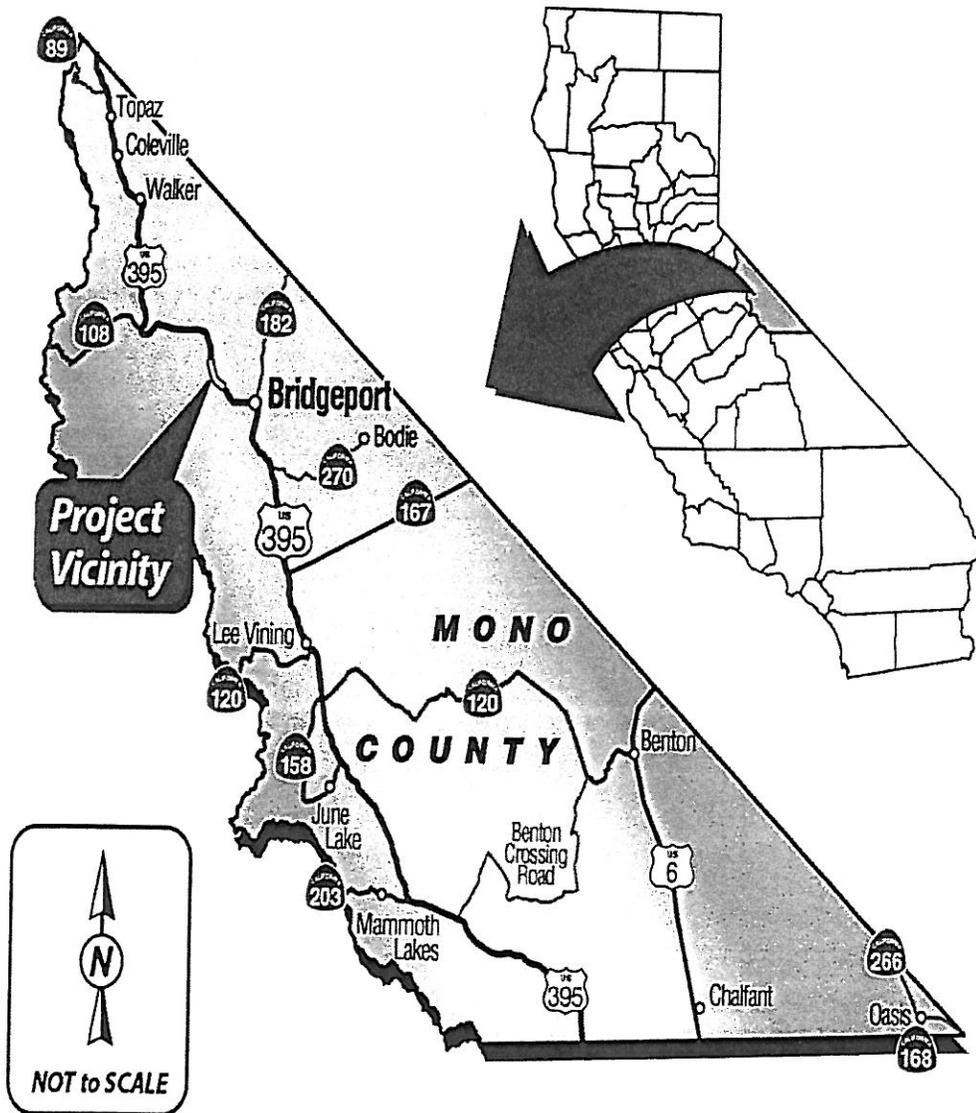
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Sheep Ranch Shoulders 09-35080



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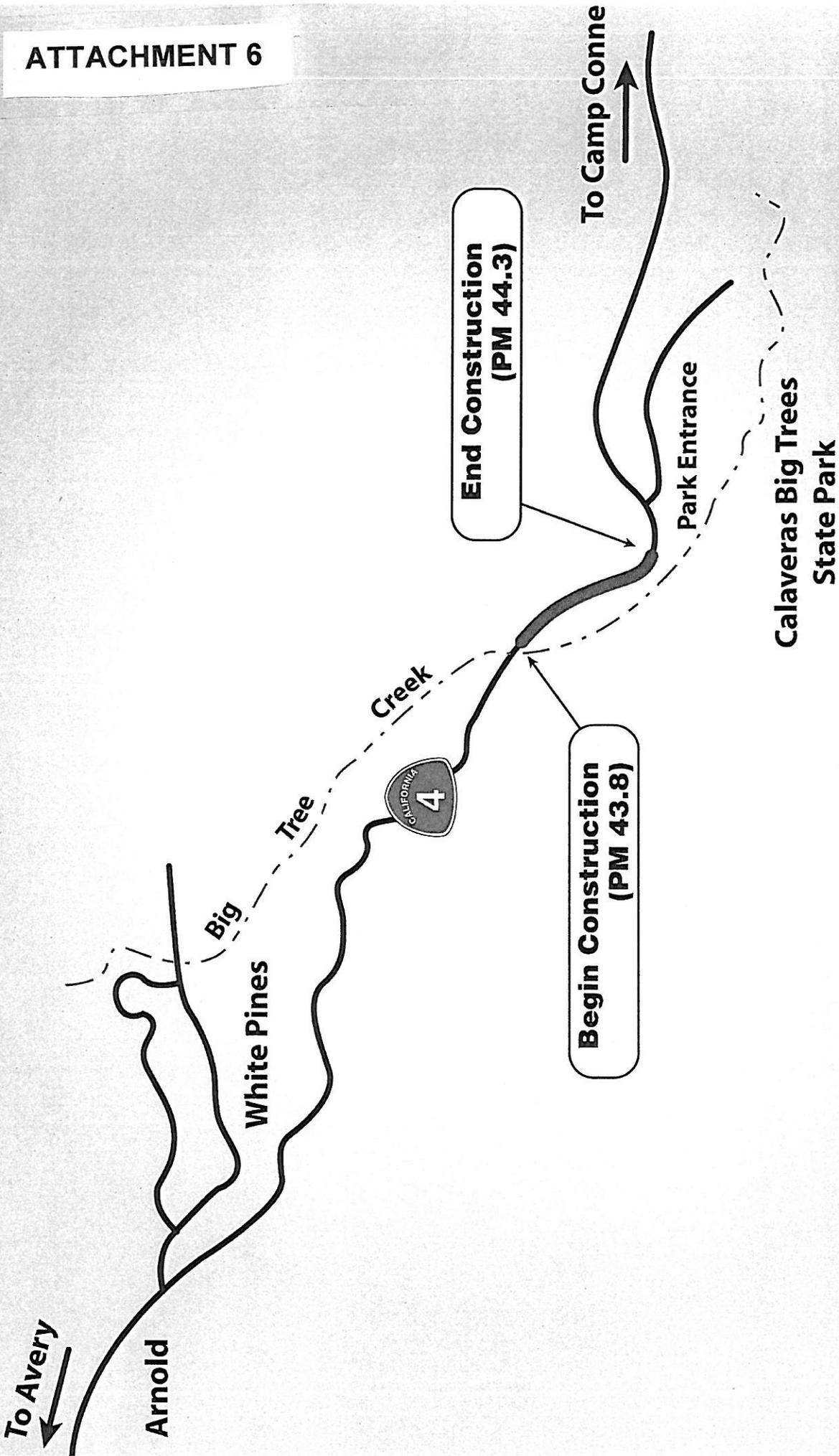
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Not to Scale

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State Route 4

Calaveras County, CA

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