

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI)

KINGS BEACH COMMERCIAL CORE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT  
IN THE COMMUNITY OF KINGS BEACH, CALIFORNIA

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the County of Placer (County) have determined that the three-lane hybrid alternative will have no significant impact on the human environment. This FONSI is based on the attached Environmental Assessment (EA), which has been independently evaluated by Caltrans and determined to adequately and accurately discuss the need, environmental issues, and impacts of the proposed project and appropriate mitigation measures. It provides sufficient evidence and analysis for determining that an EIS is not required. Caltrans takes full responsibility for the accuracy, scope, and content of the attached EA.


The EA is a part of a joint document that incorporates an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), pursuant to the regulations, standards, and code of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA). The Final EA/EIR/EIS was signed in May 2008.

Subsequent to the Final EIR/EA/EIS, the TRPA prepared a Supplemental EIS. The SEIS addressed potential air quality and noise issues within the neighborhood "grid" area, north of the project area along SR 28. In addition, the SEIS required additional detail to the Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan (NTMP), proposed as mitigation in the Final EIR/EA/EIS. The SEIS concluded that there were no significant impacts from air quality or green-house gases within the grid area, and suggested noise-reducing asphalt to be used in the grid area to bring noise impacts to less than significant. The more specific conceptual NTMP includes traffic controls, speed humps/raised crosswalks, striping, and pedestrian path/sidewalks to enhance safety in the grid area by minimizing conflicts between vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists. The Final SEIS was signed in December 2009.

The environmental review, consultation, and any other action required in accordance with applicable federal laws for this project is being, or has been, carried out by Caltrans under its assumption of responsibility pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327.

26 March 2010

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Caltrans District Director

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