

CITY OF STOCKTON
ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

September 1, 2006

TO: (See Attached List)

FROM: Lead Agency
City of Stockton
c/o Community Development Dept.
Planning Division
345 North El Dorado Street
Stockton, CA 95202

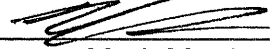
SUBJECT: **PUBLIC REVIEW OF THE DRAFT INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE CITY OF STOCKTON THORNTON ROAD WIDENING PROJECT (IS7-06)**

Enclosed is a copy of the Public Notice of Intent (NOI) for the above-named environmental document. Also, a copy of the environmental document, with applicable attachments, is also being transmitted to each "Responsible", "Trustee", and other public agency included on the attached list, as applicable. State agencies, however, should obtain the environmental document, with attachments, directly from the State Clearinghouse.

The remaining agencies, organizations and individuals on the attached list are receiving only this transmittal letter and the NOI. Public agencies may obtain a free copy of the above-named environmental document at the above-noted Lead Agency address. Private individuals, organizations, and corporations may purchase a copy of the environmental document for a fee of \$15.00. If mailing is requested, please remit an additional fee of \$5.00 for postage and handling. Checks should be made payable to the City of Stockton and any written orders must identify the project title and document identification number, as noted above.

Any written comments regarding the above-named environmental document must be received at the Lead Agency address no later than **Monday, October 2, 2006 by 5:00 p.m.** If no comments are received by the date indicated, it will be assumed that the document is acceptable. Further information may be obtained by contacting Mark Martin, Project Manager III of the Community Development Department, Planning Division at (209) 937-8569.

CHRISTINE TIEN, INTERIM DIRECTOR
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

By 
Mark Martin, Project Manager III

Date September 1, 2006

CT:MM

CITY OF STOCKTON
PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

(Public Resources Code Section 21080(c) and
Cal. Code of Regulations Title 14, Sections 15070-15073)

Lead Agency: City of Stockton
c/o Community Development Department/Planning Division
425 North El Dorado Street
Stockton, CA 95202-1997

Contact Person: Project Manager III Mark Martin Phone: (209) 937-8569

Project Title: Thornton Road Widening Project

Initial Study File No.: IS7-06 Discretionary Application(s) File No.(s): n/a

Project Applicants: City of Stockton Public Works Department

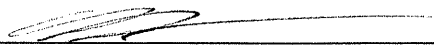
Project Description/Location: The City of Stockton Public Works Department proposes to widen Thornton Road to three travel lanes, and class II bicycle lanes, in each direction between Bear Creek and Pershing Avenue with a two-way left-turn lane running the entire length of the proposed widening project. The improvements will include construction of soundwalls, installation of new curb, gutters, and sidewalks, including wheelchair ramps to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, streetlights, street trees, and modifications of traffic signals at intersections.

Date Review Period Ends: October 2, 2006 at 5 p.m.

Finding/Determination: The City of Stockton Community Development Department, Planning Division, has reviewed and considered the proposed project and has prepared and/or independently reviewed and analyzed, a Proposed Negative Declaration and related Initial Study. Based on project modifications, mitigation measures, and related substantial supporting evidence presented in the Initial Study, it has been determined that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment. Therefore, approval of a Negative Declaration / Mitigated Negative Declaration is recommended for this project. A Mitigation Agreement is attached, if applicable.

Public Review: A copy of this document and the related Initial Study may be reviewed/obtained at the above-noted Lead Agency address. Any written comments on these documents must be received at that same address by the end of the review period. A public meeting to accept oral comments regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration will be held by the Community Development Director or Planning Commission during or following the review period. Public notice of that meeting shall be posted on the public notice wall of the Community Development Department and in the official newspaper of the City of Stockton at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the meeting.

CHRISTINE TIEN, INTERIM DIRECTOR
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

By 
Project Manager III Mark Martin

September 1, 2006
Date of Preparation

CITY OF STOCKTON
PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION OR
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION/PUBLIC MEETING
(Pursuant to Public Resources Code Sections 21092 and 21092.3 and
Cal. Code of Regulations Title 14, Sections 15072, 15073 and 15087)

The City of Stockton Community Development Department has completed, independently reviewed and analyzed the following Proposed Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration:

1. **INITIAL STUDY/PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THORNTON ROAD WIDENING PROJECT (IS7-06)** – The City of Stockton Public Works Department proposes to widen Thornton Road to three travel lanes, and class II bicycle lanes, in each direction between Bear Creek and Pershing Avenue with a two-way left-turn lane running the entire length of the proposed widening project. The improvements will include construction of soundwalls, installation of new curb, gutters, and sidewalks, including wheelchair ramps to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, streetlights, street trees, and modifications of traffic signals at intersections.

A copy of the Initial Study/Proposed Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration may be reviewed and/or obtained at the following address:

Community Development Department
Planning Division
345 North El Dorado Street
Stockton, CA 95202

Any written comments on this document must be received at this same address no later than **October 2, 2006 by 5:00 p.m.** Further information may be obtained by contacting the City Planning Division at (209) 937-8266.

CHRISTINE TIEN, INTERIM DIRECTOR
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Notice of Completion and Environmental Document Transmittal

SCH # _____

Mail to: State Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 916/445-0613

Project Title: Thornton Road Widening Project
 Lead Agency: City of Stockton Contact Person: Mark Martin, Project Mgr. III
 Street Address: 345 N. El Dorado Street Phone: (209) 937-8569
 City: Stockton Zip: 95202-1997 County: San Joaquin

Project Location:

County: San Joaquin City/Nearest Community: City of Stockton
 Cross Streets: Thornton Road, Bear Creek to Pershing Avenue Zip Code: 95209 Total Acres: n/a
 Assessor's Parcel No: n/a Section: 8 Twp. 2N Range: 6E Base: MDM
 Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: I-5 Waterways: Bear Creek, Mosher Slough
 Airports: n/a Railways: UPRR Schools: Creekside, Oakwood Elem./Delta Sierra Mid

Document Type:

CEQA: NOP Supplement/Subsequent EIR **NEPA:** NOI **Other:** Joint
 Document Early Cons (Prior SCH No.) _____ EA Final Document
 Mit. Neg Dec Other _____ Draft EIS Other _____
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Local Action Type:

General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone Annexation
 General Plan Amendment Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment
 General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Use Permit Coastal Permit
 Community Plan Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other: Street Widening

Development Type:

Residential: Units _____ Acres _____ Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____
 Office: Sq. ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Transportation: Type Street Widening
 Commercial: Sq. ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Mining: Mineral _____
 Industrial: Sq. ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Power: Type _____ Watts _____
 Educational _____ Waste Treatment: Type _____
 Recreational _____ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
 Other: _____

Funding (approx.): Federal \$ _____ State \$ _____ Total \$ _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

Aesthetic/Visual Flood Plain/Flooding Schools/Universities Water Quality
 Agricultural Land Supply/Groundwater Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems Water
 Air Quality Geologic/Seismic Sewer Capacity Wetland/Riparian
 Archeological/Historical Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading Wildlife
 Coastal Zone Noise Solid Waste Growth Inducing
 Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance Toxic/Hazardous Landuse
 Economic/Jobs Public Services/Facilities Traffic/Circulation Cumulative Effects
 Fiscal Recreation/Parks Vegetation Other _____

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

LU: Public Street Z: n/a GP: n/a

Project Description:

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Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, streetlights, street trees, and modifications of traffic signals at intersections.

REVIEWING AGENCIES CHECKLIST

Form A, continued

KEY
S = Document sent by lead agency
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Resources Agency

- Boating & Waterways
- Coastal Commission
- Coastal Conservancy
- Colorado River Board
- Conservation
- Fish & Game
- Forestry & Fire Protection
- Office of Historic Preservation
- Parks & Recreation
- Reclamation Board
- S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Commission
- Water Resources (DWR)

Business, Transportation & Housing

- Aeronautics
- California Highway patrol
- CALTRANS District # _____
- Department of Transportation Planning (Headquarters)
- Housing & Community Development

Food & Agriculture

Health & Welfare

- Health Services _____

State & Consumer Services

- General Services
- OLA (Schools)

Environmental Protection Agency

- Air Resources Board
- California Waste Management Board
- SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
- SWRCB: Delta Unit
- SWRCB: Water Quality
- SWRCB: Water Rights
- Regional WQCB # _____ (_____)

Youth & Adult Corrections

- Corrections

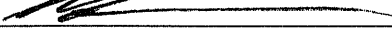
Independent Commissions & Offices

- Energy Commission
- Native American Heritage Commission
- Public Utilities Commission
- Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
- State Lands Commission
- Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
- Other _____

Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date September 1, 2006

Ending Date October 2, 2006

Signature 

Date September 1, 2006

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting Firm: Stantec Consulting Inc.

Address: 2590 Venture Oaks Way

City/State/Zip: Sacramento, CA 95833

Contact: John Meier, PE/Brent Moore

Phone: (916) 569-2500

Applicant: City of Stockton Public Works Department

Address: 22 East Weber Ave., SEB 3rd Floor

City/State/Zip: Stockton, CA 95202

Phone: (209) 937-8241 Contact: Clifton Gayotin

For SCH Use Only:

Date Received at SCH _____

Date Review Starts _____

Date to Agencies _____

Date to SCH _____

Clearance Date _____

Notes:

Thornton Road Widening Project (IS7-06)

COS Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Cesar Chavez Library
Attn: Reference Dept.

COS Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Fair Oaks Branch Library
2370 E. Main Street
Stockton, CA 95202

COS Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

City Attorney
Attn: Guy Petzold
City Hall

COS Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Fire Prevention Division

COS Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

City Clerk (1 copy if CC)

COS Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

M.K. Troke Library
502 W. Benjamin Holt Drive
Stockton, CA 95207

COS Envr 11 NOA NOI NOP Tech

City Council (11 copies)
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Maya Angelou SE Library
2324 Pock Lane
Stockton, CA 95205

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City Manager
Christine Tien, Deputy City Manager
City Hall

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Municipal Utilities Dept.
Tony Tovar
City Hall

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Community Dev. Dept.
Administration Division
CDD

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Parks & Rec Dept
Attn: Victor Machado
City Hall

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Community Dev. Dept.
Planning Division
CDD

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Police Dept
Attn: Bob Marconi
City Hall

Thornton Road Widening Project (IS7-06)

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Public Information Officer
Connie Cochran
City Hall

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Public Works
S.J. Area Flood Control
City Hall

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Public Works Dept
Admin/Engin. Attn: Giottonini
City Hall

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Public Works Dept
CIP Delivery
City Hall

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Public Works Dept (2)
Development Services
City Hall

FED Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

David H. Sulouff, Commander (oan-br-n)
11th Coast Guard District (IS)
Bldg 50-3, Coast Guard Island
Alameda, CA 94501-5100

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National Marine Fisheries Service
Mike Aceituno, Area Office Sup.
650 Capitol Mall, Suite 8-300
Sacramento, CA 95814-4706

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U.S. Army Corp of Engineers
Regulatory & Environmental Division
1325 "J" Street
Sacramento, CA 95814-2922

OTHERS Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Campaign for Common Ground
c/o Trevor Atkinson
P.O. Box 693545
Stockton, CA 95269

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North Valley Yokut Tribe
Katherine Perez
P.O. Box 717
Linden, CA 95236

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Sierra Club
Delta Sierra Group
P.O. Box 9258
Stockton, CA 95208

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The Record
P.O. Box 989
Stockton, CA 95201

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Woodbridge Irrigation District
Andy Christensen, Manager
18777 No. Lower Sacramento Road
Woodbridge, CA 95258

PR Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Judith Buethe Communications
Judith Bueth
445 Weber Avenue, Suite 221
Stockton, CA 95203

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PUBLIC Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

San Joaquin Regional Transit District (SJRTD)
1533 East Lindsay Street
Stockton, CA 95205

SCHOOL Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Lincoln Unified School District
2010 West Swain Road
Stockton, CA 95207

SCHOOL Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Lodi Unified School District
Facilities Planning
1305 East Vine Street, 2nd Floor
Lodi, CA 95240

SCHOOL Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Stockton Unified School District
Steve Breakfield
1944 El Pinal Dr.
Stockton, CA 95205

SJCO Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Administrator
Manuel Lopez
222 East Weber Ave, Room 707
Stockton, CA 95202

SJCO Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

County Clerk
Patricia Paulson
6 South El Dorado Street, 2nd Floor
Stockton, CA 95202

SJCO Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

County Counsel
222 East Weber Ave., Room 711
Stockton, CA 95202

SJCO Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Public Works Department
Senior Civil Engineer
P O Box 1810
Stockton, CA 95201

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Public Works Department
Admin./Engineering
P O Box 1810
Stockton, CA 95201

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Public Works Department (2)
Environ. Real Prop./Env. Div.
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Stockton, CA 95201

SJCO Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors
222 East Weber Ave., Room 701
Stockton, CA 95202

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SJ COG
555 E. Weber Avenue
Stockton, CA 95202

SJCO Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

SJ Flood Control
P O Box 1810
Stockton, CA 95201

SJCO Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

SJCO Community Development Department
Planning Division
1810 East Hazelton Ave.
Stockton, CA 95205

Thornton Road Widening Project (IS7-06)

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San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
Hector R. Guerra
1990 E. Gettysburg Ave.
Fresno, CA 93726

STATE Envr 2 NOA NOI NOP Tech

Caltrans (2)
IGR Coordinator, Intermodal Planning
P O Box 2048
Stockton, CA 95201

STATE Envr 15 NOA NOI NOP Tech

Clearinghouse (15)
Office of Planning & Research
P O Box 3044
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

STATE Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Department of Fish & Game
Region 2, Environmental Services
1701 Nimbus Road, Suite A
Rancho Cordova, 95670

STATE Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Department of Boating & Waterways
Suzie Betzler
2000 Evergreen Street, Suite 100
Sacramento, CA 95815

UTILITY Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

Comcast
6505 Tam O'Shanter Drive
Stockton, CA 95210

UTILITY Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

PG&E-Stockton Division
Land Department
4040 West Lane
Stockton, CA 95204

UTILITY Envr NOA NOI NOP Tech

SBC
2300 East Eight Mile Road, Room 101
Stockton, CA 95210