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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR
THE NORTH ATWATER CROSSING PROJECT**

- State Clearinghouse No. (SCH#): Pending Assignment by OPR -

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code Article 7 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended, the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering has prepared an Initial Study for the project described below. Under CEQA, the City identified no significant impacts and proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Project Location: The North Atwater Crossing project would be located in the Atwater Village neighborhood in the City of Los Angeles's Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan Area. The project would span the Los Angeles River between Atwater Village and the Interstate 5 Freeway, ultimately providing connection to Griffith Park via the existing equestrian tunnel beneath Interstate 5.

Project Description: The proposed North Atwater Crossing Project involves the construction of a multi-modal, cable-stay bridge over the Los Angeles River to facilitate crossings for bicycles, pedestrians and equestrians. The bridge would be approximately 325 feet long, crossing over the River and include support columns in two locations within the River. Although the proposed project could have a significant effect on biological resources, hydrology and water quality, noise and traffic, there would not be a significant effect as a result of the implementation of the identified mitigation measures.

This notice is intended to give interested parties an opportunity to comment on the proposed project. The Initial Study is available for review at the Atwater Village Branch Library, 3379 Glendale Blvd, Los Angeles; Council District 4 Field Office, 3750 Verdugo Rd, Los Angeles; Council District 13 Field Office, 6501 Fountain Ave, Los Angeles; Bureau of Engineering, Environmental Management Group (EMG), 1149 South Broadway (contact Nicole Cobleigh at (213) 485-5761); and online at <http://eng.lacity.org/techdocs/emg>.

The 30 day public review period starts Thursday, November 29, 2012 and ends Friday, December 28, 2012. **Comments must be received in writing by Friday, December 28, 2012, by email (please put "North Atwater Crossing" in subject line) to Nicole.Cobleigh@lacity.org, or by mail to:**

City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works
Bureau of Engineering, EMG
Attention: Nicole Cobleigh
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Map of Project Site

