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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE TAYLOR YARD BIKEWAY/PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER THE LOS ANGELES RIVER PROJECT (W.O. E1907487)

*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 proposed Taylor Yard Bikeway/Pedestrian Bridge Over the Los Angeles River Project (proposed project) would be located across the Los Angeles River and in the surrounding area in the Silverlake-Echo Park-Elysian Park Community Plan area in the city of Los Angeles. Specifically, the northern abutment of the proposed bridge would be located adjacent to Kerr Road, and its southern abutment would be located adjacent to the Los Angeles River Greenway Trail (bikeway), approximately between Altman Street and Dorris Place, adjacent to 2331 Dorris Place in the city of Los Angeles. Proposed intersection pedestrian striping enhancements at San Fernando Road/Cypress Road would occur north of the proposed bridge. Additionally, a two-way bike path and pedestrian path would be developed on Kerr Road, connecting the proposed bridge to San Fernando Road.

**Project Description:** The proposed project would include the construction a multi-modal bridge over the Los Angeles River between Elysian Valley on the west and Taylor Yard on the east. The proposed bridge would be designed for bicycle and pedestrian use, and would also support emergency vehicles. On the south, the proposed bridge would connect with the existing bikeway along the river. Two American with Disabilities Act- (ADA-) compliant ramps would also be constructed in this area. On the north, a 275-foot-long bikeway ramp would be constructed. This proposed ramp would lead to a proposed two-way bike path with buffer along Kerr Road that would connect to San Fernando Road. Nine Magnolia trees located along Kerr Road would be removed under the proposed project. Proposed crosswalks would be added at the San Fernando Road/Future Street and Cypress Street/Future Street intersections.

In compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study has been prepared to assess the potential environmental impacts of this project. Mitigation measures have been incorporated into the project to ensure that any impacts are reduced to a less than significant level. As such, the City proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

This notice is intended to give interested parties an opportunity to comment on the proposed project. The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review at the Cypress Park Branch Library, 1150 Cypress Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90065 – Tel. (323) 224-0039 and at the Lincoln Heights Branch Library, 2530 Workman Street Los Angeles, CA 90031 – Tel. (323) 226-1692.



A copy of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration may also be obtained by contacting Norman Mundy of the Bureau of Engineering at (213) 485-5737 and can also be accessed online at <http://eng.lacity.org/techdocs/emg/projects.htm>

The 30-day public review period starts November 10, 2016, and ends December 12, 2016. **Comments must be received by December 12, 2016, in writing, by email to [Norman.Mundy@lacity.org](mailto:Norman.Mundy@lacity.org), or by mail to:**

City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works  
Bureau of Engineering, EMG  
Attn: Norman Mundy, Environmental Supervisor  
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**Figure 1**  
**Project Location**  
**Taylor Yard Bikeway/Pedestrian Bridge Over the LA River Project**