

**CITY OF CHICO  
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A  
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

September 9, 2009

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of Chico Planning Services Director intends to adopt a mitigated negative declaration for the project described below. The project will be approved administratively unless referred to the City Council for action.

**State Route 99 Corridor Bikeway Project (Project No. 50166)** – The City proposes to construct an approximately 6.7-mile long contiguous bicycle facilities project generally paralleling the State Route 99 corridor that will be developed in two phases. Phase I will be completed within 12 months of commencement, and Phase II is planned for completion within three years, depending on funding. The ultimate bikeway alignment is comprised of a combination of Class I and Class II/III facilities commencing at Eaton Road to the north and traversing south to Southgate Avenue. The bikeway will be located on surface streets, drainage easements, and City parkland and will complete gaps between existing bicycle paths, lanes, and routes currently located primarily on the east-side of the State Route 99 right-of-way. Associated safety devices, including lighting, fencing, controlled crossings and median refuges, will be incorporated where appropriate. Questions regarding the environmental review for this project may be directed to Tracy R. Bettencourt, AICP – Senior Planner, Capital Project Services, who can be reached at (530) 879-6903 or via email at [tbettenc@ci.chico.ca.us](mailto:tbettenc@ci.chico.ca.us).

An initial study for environmental review has been prepared for the project. Based upon the information within the initial study, the Capital Project Services Department is recommending that a mitigated negative declaration be adopted for the project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). A mitigated negative declaration is a determination that a project will not have a significant impact on the environment after the incorporation of specific mitigation measures. A 30-day public review period is being conducted on the proposed mitigated negative declaration commencing on **Monday, September 14, 2009 and ending at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 14, 2009**. During this time period, the initial study, mitigated negative declaration and all documents referenced therein shall be available for public review at the City of Chico Capital Project Services Department, 411 Main Street, Second Floor, Chico, California, 95928, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The document may also be reviewed at the City's website at [www.ci.chico.ca.us](http://www.ci.chico.ca.us). Comments relating to environmental concerns and the proposed mitigated negative declaration must be filed in writing to the City of Chico Capital Project Services Department, P.O. Box 3420, Chico, CA 95927 during the designated time period. Further information, including maps and files, may be reviewed at the City of Chico Capital Project Services Department.

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