



# City of Whittier

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
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## **NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY/NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

### **for the Whittier Boulevard/Santa Fe Springs Road Intersection Improvement Project**

This serves as the City of Whittier's (City) Notice of Intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Whittier Boulevard/Santa Fe Springs Road Intersection Improvement Project, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines, and local implementation procedures.

*Name of Project:* Whittier Boulevard/Santa Fe Springs Road Intersection Improvement Project

*Project Location:* Regionally, the project site is located in the western portion of the City, within the County of Los Angeles. Locally, the project site is the intersection of Whittier Boulevard at Santa Fe Springs Road.

*Lead Agency:* City of Whittier, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, California 90602

*Project Description:* The proposed project would provide intersection improvements consisting of an additional westbound through lane on Whittier Boulevard and an additional southbound through lane and southbound right-turn pocket on Pickering Avenue. These improvements would address existing traffic deficiencies and implement improvements consistent with the City's General Plan Transportation Element.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the City Council, pursuant to law, will conduct a public hearing on **Tuesday, September 12, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, in the City Council Chambers, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, California, to consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration. The MND is based on the finding that, by implementing the identified mitigation measures, the project's potential significant adverse impacts will be reduced to a less than significant level. The reasons to support such a finding are documented by an Initial Study prepared by the City. Copies of the Initial Study, the proposed MND and supporting materials are available for public review at the following locations:

- Whittier City Hall, Public Works Department, 13230 Penn Street, Whittier, California 90602
- Whittier Central Library, 7344 S. Washington Avenue, Whittier, California 90602
- City of Whittier website at <http://www.cityofwhittier.org>

*Public Review Period:* **Begins – July 17, 2017      Ends – August 15, 2017**

Any person wishing to comment on the proposed project may do so in writing and **be received by the City no later than 5:00 p.m. on the closing date of the public review period as cited above**; or, may appear and be heard at the time and place noted above for the public hearing. All comments will be submitted to the City Council, and the City Council will consider such written comments, in addition to any oral testimony, before making a decision on the proposed project.

If this project is challenged in court, the issues may be limited to those raised at the public hearing, described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing. Be advised that as a result of public hearings and comment, the City Council may amend, in whole or in part, the proposed project. Accordingly, the designations, development standards, design or improvements, or any properties or lands within the boundaries of the proposed project, may be changed in a way other than specifically proposed.

The City of Whittier sent a Notice of Project Application to numerous Native American tribes notifying each of the opportunity to consult with the City on the proposed project. The City of Whittier did not receive a request to consult on this project within the 30 days specified as part of California Public Resources Code § 21080.3.1.

**Hazardous Waste Sites:** The project site is not identified on any of the lists enumerated under Government Code Section 65952.5.



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