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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION/INITIAL STUDY FOR
INTERNATIONAL DRIVE EXTENSION KILGORE TO SUNRISE PROJECT**

February 1, 2008

LEAD AGENCY: City of Rancho Cordova Planning Department
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PROJECT TITLE: International Drive Extension Kilgore to Sunrise Project

PROJECT LOCATION: International Drive from Kilgore Road to Sunrise Boulevard.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant proposes to extend International Drive from its current terminus at Kilgore Rd to approximately 1,500 linear feet east to the Sunrise Blvd/Monier Circle (north) signalized intersection. The project would include an approximately 112 linear foot six-lane bridge over the Folsom South Canal and restriping between Prospect Park Dr and Kilgore Rd to include a six-lane roadway, with minor widening at the Kilgore Rd intersection approaches and at the Monier Cir intersection.

Sunrise Blvd would be restriped to include six (6) lanes from Fitzgerald Dr to White Rock Rd and the existing median at the Monier Circle (south) intersection would be reconfigured to eliminate left turns onto Sunrise Blvd. Noise reducing pavement would be used along the new segment of International Dr to reduce noise levels. Additionally, the Folsom South Canal frontage would be widened to include curb, gutter and sidewalk and utilities would be modified as necessary to accommodate the project.

FINDINGS/DETERMINATION: The City has reviewed and considered the proposed project and has determined that the project **will not** have a significant effect on the environment, with the proposed mitigation measures and substantial supporting evidence provided in the Initial Study. The City hereby prepares and proposes to adopt a **Mitigated Negative Declaration** for this project.

Additionally, the proposed project seeks federal funds for construction, and is therefore subject to Section 4(f) of the federal Department of Transportation Act of 1966, which considers a federal project's potential effects to publicly-owned recreational facilities like the Folsom South Canal bicycle trail. A segment of the Folsom South Canal bicycle trail would be temporarily closed to accommodate project construction. The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), under the SAFETEA-LU Pilot Program has been assigned NEPA authority from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), intends to make a **de minimus** finding on the proposed project's effects to the Folsom South Canal bicycle trail, and is soliciting public

comments on the effects of the project to this resource. This determination will satisfy the Section 4(f) requirements for this project.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: A 30 day public review period for the Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study will commence on **February 1, 2008 until March 3, 2008** for interested individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the document. Any written comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study must be received at the above address within the public review period. Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study are available for review at the above address.

Additionally, a 30 day public review period for the Section 4(f) *de minimus* finding will commence concurrently with the public review period for the Mitigated Negative Declaration/Initial Study for interested individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the finding. Any written comments on Caltrans' potential *de minimus* finding under Section 4(f) must be received at the following address within the public review period:

Caltrans District 3
Environmental Branch M1
Attention: Susan D. Bauer, Chief
P.O. Box 911
Marysville, CA 95901

PUBLIC MEETING: No public meeting is currently scheduled for this project. The project will be heard by the City of Rancho Cordova City Council prior to approval and adoption of the MND and MMRP at a regular meeting yet to be identified. To view upcoming agendas for the Rancho Cordova City Council, visit

http://www.cityofranhocordova.org/city_government/agendas_city_council.html.