



# PUBLIC NOTICE

## PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT/ DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT ON THE TOWER BRIDGE

### WHAT IS PLANNED

The Cities of Sacramento and West Sacramento, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), propose to widen the existing three to four-foot wide sidewalks on each side of the Tower Bridge to a width of 10 feet. The project will include replacing the existing sidewalk with a wider sidewalk, relocating the existing railings, relocating the existing lighting fixtures and modifying the support system. The Tower Bridge was built in 1936 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

### WHY THIS NOTICE

Caltrans and FHWA have prepared an Environmental Assessment/Draft Environmental Impact Report and a Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation. The proposed project will adversely affect the historic qualities of the bridge that qualified the structure for inclusion on the National Register. This notice is to advise the public and agencies that these documents are available for review and a public open house will be held to obtain input on the environmental document.

### WHAT IS AVAILABLE

The Environmental Assessment/Draft Environmental Impact Report and the Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation are available for review at the Caltrans District 3 office, 2389 Gateway Oaks Drive, Sacramento on weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. In addition, copies of the document are also available for review at the City of Sacramento Department of Transportation at 927 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento and at the City of West Sacramento Department of Public Works, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento. In addition, Caltrans and FHWA have prepared several background reports that are available for review at the Caltrans offices or at the public open house. Individuals wishing to review an electronic version of the environmental documents are encouraged to visit the Caltrans District 3 website at:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist3/departments/envinternet/sacdocs/towerbr.htm>.

### COMMENTS

A 45-day public review period is being conducted from June 24, 2004 to August 9, 2004. Do you have any comments about the impacts of the project? Do you disagree with the findings of our studies as set forth in the Environmental Assessment/Draft Environmental Impact Report and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation? Please mail all of your comments to Karen McWilliams, Caltrans District 3, 2389 Gateway Oaks Drive, Mail Stop 15, Sacramento, CA 95833 or email comments to [Karen\\_McWilliams@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Karen_McWilliams@dot.ca.gov). Comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 9, 2004. All substantive comments on environmental issues will be addressed in the Final Environmental Impact Report.

### PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

Caltrans is hosting a public open house to discuss the proposed widening of the sidewalks on the Tower Bridge. Please plan to attend the open house on Tuesday, July 20, 2004 from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the City of West Sacramento city offices, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento. Drop in anytime to review exhibits and talk with project team members.

### CONTACT

For more information about this project, please call Karen McWilliams at (916) 274-0568.

### SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Caltrans can provide documentation in alternate formats to individuals with disabilities. To obtain such services, please contact Mark Dinger, Public Information Officer at (530) 741-4572.

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