

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR
THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR
SIR FRANCIS DRAKE BOULEVARD REHABILITATION PROJECT**

DATE: March 26, 2018

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) has been completed for the project identified below, and is on file with the office of the Marin County Department of Public Works, 3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 304, San Rafael, California, and is available for public review between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The FEIR can also be accessed online at <https://www.marincounty.org/depts/pw/divisions/transportation/transportation/sir-francis-drake-boulevard-rehabilitation>. All relevant documents incorporated into the EIR by reference are also available for public review at the Department of Public Works Office.

Sir Francis Drake Boulevard (SFDB) is an east-west arterial roadway going from Interstate 580 in eastern Marin County to the Point Reyes lighthouse. The portion of SFDB to be rehabilitated is a two-mile segment between U.S. 101 and the Ross Town limits.

The project proposes several traffic flow, pavement, and safety improvements, as well as water main replacement and installation along Sir Francis Drake Boulevard between Highway 101 and the Ross Town limits. Proposed improvements include:

- Intersection geometric modifications, including adding or reconfiguring turn lanes
- Modernization of traffic signals, phasing, and synchronization in the corridor
- Striping modifications to increase circulation efficiency
- Sidewalk widening, school connectivity improvements, and crosswalk enhancements.
- Replacement and installation of water supply mains in portions of the corridor in conjunction with Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD)
- Accessibility improvements compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Installation of drainage improvements and conduits for future projects, including adaptive signal controls and a fiber optic spine for data transmission

Construction is planned over two spring-to-summer periods to minimize traffic impacts during construction. Specific details of the project are provided online at <http://www.marincounty.org/depts/pw/divisions/transportation/transportation/sir-francis-drake-boulevard-rehabilitation>.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that this Notice of Availability of the FEIR commences a 14-day public review period beginning on Monday, March 26, 2018. Interested persons are invited to review and comment on the FEIR. Written comments on the FEIR must be submitted to the Department of Public Works, PRIOR TO THE CLOSE OF THE PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD, NO LATER THAN 4 p.m., Monday April 9, 2018. Commenters are advised to mail written comments postmarked on or before April 9, 2018 to the attention of Dan Dawson, Principal Transportation Planner at Box 4186, San Rafael, CA 94913-4186. Comments can also be submitted via email to sfdrakeimprovements@marincounty.org before the end of the comment period deadline. Comments received after the April 9 deadline will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for their consideration as public comment for the May 8 public hearing on the FEIR.

The EIR evaluates the project with respect to the following topical issues:

1) Land Use & Planning	6) Transportation/Circulation	12) Utilities & Service Systems
2) Cultural Resources	7) Biological Resources	13) Aesthetics/Visual Resources
3) Geophysical	8) Energy & Natural Resources	14) Global Climate Change
4) Water Quality	9) Hazards and Hazardous Materials	15) Greenhouse Gas Emissions
5) Air Quality	10) Noise	16) Mineral Resources
	11) Public Services and Recreation	

The Final EIR finds that the projects would result in significant or potentially significant environmental impacts related to topical issues #3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13 and 14 and recommends the implementation of feasible mitigation measures to either avoid or reduce to a level of insignificance the identified environmental impacts. The EIR finds that the proposed project would not result in any significant unavoidable cumulative impacts.

A public hearing by the Board of Supervisors for certification of the FEIR is scheduled for Tuesday, May 8, 2018. For more information about the Board of Supervisors hearing, please visit the Board of Supervisors hearings webpage at: <http://www.marincounty.org/depts/bs/meeting-archive>. The Board of Supervisors hearing on the project will be held in the Marin County Hearing Chambers (Rooms 328/330, Administration Building), Civic Center, San Rafael, California, where anyone interested in this matter may appear and be heard. The time of the hearing will be indicated on the hearing agenda posted on the Board of Supervisors hearing webpage on the Thursday before the hearing. A staff report will be available on the project webpage on Friday, May 4, 2018.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that if you challenge the project FEIR in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised orally at the prior public hearing on the DEIR on this matter, or in written correspondence submitted during the public review period on the DEIR and FEIR to the Department of Public Works prior to the upcoming public hearing(s). (Government Code Section 65009(b)(2).)

Dan Dawson,
Principal Transportation Planner



All public meetings and events sponsored or conducted by the County of Marin are held in accessible sites. Requests for accommodations may be made by calling (415) 473-4381 (Voice) 473-3232 (TDD/TTY) or by e-mail at disabilityaccess@marincounty.org at least four work days in advance of the event. Copies of documents are available in alternative formats, upon request.