

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation And Announcement of a Public Meeting

**Albion River Bridge Project
State Route 1 — Mendocino County**



Design 1B, one of several designs under consideration

PUBLIC MEETING

Date:

Thursday, September 26, 2024

Time:

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Place:

Virtual. Details at
www.albionriverbridgeproject.com

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

A Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation for the Albion River Bridge Project began circulation for public review and comment on July 8, 2024. The comment period has been extended through October 9, 2024.

**Comment Deadline:
October 9, 2024**

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to replace the existing Albion River Bridge located on State Route 1 in Mendocino County. The project limits are from postmile (PM) 43.3 to PM 44.2. The project is needed to address functional, safety, and structural deficiencies associated with the existing bridge. Correcting these deficiencies would improve safety for all users and reduce the chance of catastrophic bridge failure.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effect this project may have on the environment and prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation that identifies the project's potential impacts and potential avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures. The build alternatives would result in significant and unavoidable impacts related to cultural and aesthetic resources. Potentially significant impacts related to biological resources would be reduced to less-than-significant levels after implementation of mitigation measures. The project site is not located on any list of hazardous materials waste sites compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

This notice is to let you know of the availability of the draft environmental document and the extension of the original comment period through October 9, 2024. The virtual meeting will be held to give you the opportunity to learn more about the project.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE

The Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement and the bridge designs under consideration are available for review online at the project website www.albionriverbridgeproject.com, or in-person at the Caltrans District 1 Office, 1656 Union Street, Eureka, CA weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mendocino Community Library, 10591 William Street, Mendocino, CA during open hours, and at the Fort Bragg Branch of the Mendocino County Library, 499 East Laurel Street, Fort Bragg, CA during open hours.

WHERE YOU COME IN

Would you care to make any comments on the project? Please submit your comments in writing no later than October 9, 2024, to Caltrans, Liza Walker, North Region Environmental, 1656 Union Street, Eureka, CA 95501, or albionbridge@dot.ca.gov.

After considering and replying to comments on the draft environmental document, Caltrans will make a decision on the project and proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT


For more information about this project or about the Public Meeting, please contact Katie Everett, Caltrans Project Manager, at (707) 684-6998 or katie.everett@dot.ca.gov.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Individuals who require special accommodation (e.g., American Sign Language interpreter, documentation in alternate forms, etc.) are requested to write or call Manny Machado, Public Information Officer, Caltrans District 1, P.O. Box 3700, Eureka, CA 95502-3700, (707) 498-4272. Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service TDD line at 711.

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Use your camera to view the website and proposed bridge designs.

