

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

What's in the Document:

The Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District (District), in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Department), as assigned by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), have prepared this Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (EIR/EA), which examines the potential environmental impacts of the alternatives being considered for the proposed project located in the City and County of San Francisco and Marin County, California. The document describes why the project is being proposed, alternatives for the project, the existing environment that could be affected by the project, the potential impacts from each of the alternatives, and the proposed avoidance, minimization and/or compensation measures.

What You Should Do:

- Please read this Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment. Additional copies of this document as well as the technical studies are available for review at Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza Administration Building.
- Attend July 22 and July 23 public meetings.
- We welcome your comments. You can view the project document and submit comments by visiting the project website @www.ggbsuicidebarrier.org. You are also encouraged to attend the July 2008 public meetings and/or send your written comments to the District by the August 25, 2008 deadline.
 - Submit comments via postal mail to:
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 - Submit comments via email to Jeffrey Lee, JYLee@goldengate.org
 - Submit comments by the deadline: August 25, 2008.

What Happens Next:

After the public circulation period, all comments will be considered, and the District will select a preferred alternative and make the final determination of the project's effect on the environment. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), in the event the District decides to proceed with the project, the District will determine whether to certify the EIR, prepare findings for all significant impacts identified, prepare a Statement of Overriding Considerations for impacts, if any, that will not be mitigated below a level of significance, and certify that the findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations have been considered. In that event, the District will then file a Notice of Determination with the State Clearinghouse and local county clerks that will identify whether the project will have significant impacts, mitigation measures were included as conditions of project approval, findings were made, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted. Similarly, if the Department, as assigned by FHWA, determines the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) action does not significantly impact the environment, the Department will issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) in accordance with NEPA.

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