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SPECIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

LOS ANGELES DISTRICT

TO EXTEND THE COMMENT PERIOD FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS ON THE
PUBLIC NOTICE FOR THE MID-COUNTY PARKWAY PROJECT

Public Notice/Application No.: 2001-00537

Comment Period: The original comment period of October 31, 2008 through December 8, 2008 has been extended through January 8, 2009.

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Project Name: Mid-County Parkway Project

Location: The proposed project is located in western Riverside County, California. The biological study area encompasses approximately 17,000 acres (ac) within the Santa Ana River and San Jacinto River watersheds and is roughly bounded by Interstate 15 (I-15) to the west, the Cities of Riverside and Moreno Valley to the north, State Route 79 (SR-79) to the east, and State Route 74 (SR-74) to the south.

Activity: To construct roadway improvements. These improvements may consist of a transportation parkway approximately 30 miles (mi) in length, connecting the existing I-15 in Corona to SR-79 in San Jacinto, with an intermediate point at Interstate 215 (I-215) in Perris. Five alternative alignments are under consideration. While a federally preferred alternative has not been identified at this time, the applicant has identified a locally preferred alternative, namely Alternative 9. Additional information concerning the description of the proposed project alternatives, including Alternative 9 and the environmental impacts, is contained in

the original PN and the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS). The Draft EIR/EIS and its appendices and technical reports are available on the Internet at midcountyparkway.org. The Draft EIR/EIS and technical reports are also available for review at the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and various public libraries in the activity area.

Interested parties are hereby reminded that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit for the activity described above. Interested parties are invited to provide their views on the proposed work, which will become a part of the record and will be considered in the decision. This permit will be issued or denied under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 1344) (CWA).

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