

City of Clovis

Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Report

Capital Improvement Project 14-30:

Shaw Avenue Widening Between De Wolf and McCall Avenues

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To: Responsible, Trustee, and
Interested Agencies
Property Owners, Residents
and Interested Persons

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Comment Deadline: July 2, 2018

The City of Clovis has completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Shaw Avenue Widening Between De Wolf and McCall Avenues Project (Capital Improvement Project 14-30). Notice is hereby given that the Draft EIR is available for public review and comment.

Project Location and Description: The City of Clovis is proposing to widen the two-mile segment of Shaw Avenue between De Wolf Avenue and McCall Avenue from a two-lane rural road to a five-to-six-lane urban arterial road. The six-lane section would extend from De Wolf Avenue to the Highland Alignment and would have the same basic design as the nearby sections of Shaw Avenue west of De Wolf Avenue.

The five-lane section would extend from the Highland Alignment to McCall Avenue. The south side of the road would abut land planned by the City for urban development and, therefore, would have the same three-lane design as proposed for Shaw Avenue west of the Highland Alignment. The north side of the road would abut land planned by Fresno County for rural residential development and, therefore, would have two travel lanes instead of three and no sidewalk or landscaping on the north side of the street.

Potential Project Impacts: Based on the Draft EIR, the project could have significant environmental effects related to: aesthetics; air quality; biological resources; cultural resources; hydrology and water quality; noise; and tribal cultural resources. The Draft EIR found that each of the potentially significant impacts could be reduced to insignificance by mitigation measures presented in the Draft EIR, except for aesthetic impacts from changes to the existing streetscape and increased noise levels from roadway traffic.

Public Review: Copies of the Draft EIR may be reviewed or obtained at the City of Clovis Planning and Development Services Department, Engineering Services Division, 1033 Fifth Street, Clovis, CA, 93612, telephone (559) 324-2350. The Draft EIR may also be reviewed online at www.cityofclovis.com or at the Clovis Regional Library, 1155 Fifth Street, Clovis, CA 93612.

Review Period: The 45-day public review period for the Draft EIR will begin on Wednesday, May 16, 2018 and end on Monday, July 2, 2018. Please submit written comments to Ryan Burnett, AICP, Engineering Program Supervisor, at the address listed previously in this notice. All comments addressing environmental issues will be responded to in the Final EIR.

Project Decision-Making Process: After the Final EIR is prepared, a public hearing will be held by the Clovis City Council to consider certification of the Final EIR and approval of the project. Formal notice of the hearing will be given to all agencies and persons receiving notice of the Draft EIR availability.