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To Whom It May Concern:

**Re: Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Document**

This letter serves as notification that the Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Highway 1/9 Intersection Improvement Project in the City of Santa Cruz was certified by the California Department of Transportation. The project proposes to widen the intersection at Route 1 and Route 9 in the City of Santa Cruz in Santa Cruz County, California, to accommodate additional vehicle turn lanes, bicycle lanes, and shoulders to improve traffic operations and better accommodate existing and projected traffic volumes.

The primary improvements include:

- On eastbound Route 1, add a left turn lane so two lanes turn onto northbound Route 9.
- On northbound Route 9, add a concrete median, second traffic lane, shoulder, bike lane, and right-turn lane into the Tannery.
- On southbound Route 9, add a shared through/left-turn lane and bike lane.
- On northbound River Street, change the left-turn lane to a through/left-turn lane.

This milestone represents the completion of the environmental phase for the project. Comments received during the public comment period, including those submitted at the public meeting, and the Department's responses to those comments have been incorporated into the final environmental document.

The environmental document may be viewed online at:

- [www.cityofsantacruz.com](http://www.cityofsantacruz.com) under "Latest news"
- [www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/projects](http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/projects) under "Santa Cruz County"

A printed copy of the environmental document is also available at the following locations:

- Caltrans' District Office, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
- City of Santa Cruz Central Library, 224 Church Street, Santa Cruz, CA 93401
- City of Santa Cruz Public Works Department, 809 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

If you have any questions and/or comments in regard to this letter, or would like to request a copy of the environmental document, please contact me at 542-4759 or [Yvonne.Hoffmann@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Yvonne.Hoffmann@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason Wilkinson".

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