



LAS LOMAS BIKE PATH CEQA COMPLIANCE

MONTEREY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

EMC completed an initial study, mitigated negative declaration, and CEQA noticing for this bike path project in unincorporated Monterey County. The project boundary encompasses approximately 0.25 miles of Las Lomas Drive from the intersection of Hall Road to the intersection of Thomas Road, as well as small segments of Hall Road, Sill Road, and Thomas Road where they intersect with Las Lomas Drive. Improvements are necessary to provide transitional approaches from improved roadway surfaces to the existing roads. The new width of the Las Lomas Drive right-of-way will be 60 feet with an additional temporary construction corridor of 12 feet on each side of the roadway.

The project includes widening the existing right-of-way to 60 feet along the 0.25-mile length of Las Lomas Drive to allow the following improvements: installation of five-foot wide sidewalks on both sides of the roadway; standard two-foot curb and gutter on both sides of the roadway; five-foot wide Class II Bicycle Path with striping on both sides of the roadway; seven-foot wide public on-street parking on the western side of the roadway; removal of existing surface drainage and its replacement with subsurface drains beneath the roadway and sidewalks; relocation of overhead utility lines and poles; construction of four- to five-foot high retaining walls on the east embankment of Las Lomas Drive; and removal of three non-native trees.

The improvements are intended to provide safe access for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists using Las Lomas Drive. To provide a width sufficient to accommodate the bike lanes, sidewalks and on-street parking, the project includes acquisition of approximately 1,800 square feet from several adjacent parcels on the west side of the street.

Major environmental issues addressed in the initial study included sensitive biological resources, wetlands, and construction-related impacts associated with air quality, water quality, cultural resources, and noise.



PROJECT EXPERIENCE

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