

Notice of Section 401 Application Reception

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Project Name: Pennsylvania Avenue Widening Project

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Project City: Beaumont

Project County: Riverside

Applicant Organization: City of Beaumont

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Brief Description of Project:

Project Description: Widen Pennsylvania Avenue to a four lane Major Highway per the Beaumont General Plan Circulation Element, improve pedestrian access, and bring intersections within the Project boundary up to current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. This section of Pennsylvania Avenue does not adequately handle current or future traffic demand, has fragmented pedestrian segments, and needs ADA upgrades.

Project Activities: The Project proposes to widen and add two additional lanes to Pennsylvania Avenue between 1st Street and 6th Street, a distance of approximately 2,800 feet. The additional lanes within these limits would result in a four-lane Major Highway per the City of Beaumont General Plan Circulation Element. The widening would require improvements to the existing UPRR at-grade crossing and freeway ramp terminals at the I-10 Freeway within Caltrans right-of-way. Construction of the Project would occur in three phases. Storm drain and utility relocations would occur prior to any major roadway improvements. The first phase would involve construction of the outer improvements for the widening to the north and south of the UPRR tracks with an estimated duration of four months. The second phase would involve the closure of the at-grade crossing to construct the improvements within UPRR right-of-way with an estimated duration of one month. The last phase would complete the remaining portion of construction within the center of the roadway north of the tracks and final paving (three months).