



**Community & Economic Development**  
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**TO:** Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Intent to Adopt/Notice of Availability for the Reds Meadow Road Improvements Project Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration

This serves as the Town of Mammoth Lakes (Town) Notice of Intent to adopt an Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Reds Meadow Road Improvements Project, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), State CEQA Guidelines and local implementation procedures.

**PROJECT TITLE:** Reds Meadow Road Improvements Project

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Madera County, California - Reds Meadow Road in Inyo National Forest. The project includes improvements to approximately 8 miles of Reds Meadow Road in Inyo National Forest, from the Minaret Vista Entrance Station to the dead-end at Reds Meadow Resort.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Central Federal Lands Highway Division (CFLHD) of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), in cooperation with the US Forest Service, Inyo National Forest (INF), the Town of Mammoth Lakes (TOML), and the National Park Service, Devils Postpile National Monument (DEPO) are proposing improvements to Reds Meadow Road. Reds Meadow Road is 8.3 miles long and provides the only access to several Inyo National Forest campgrounds, day use parking areas, trailheads, horse camp and equestrian facilities, Minaret Vista entrance station, Devils Postpile National Monument, and Reds Meadow Resort and Pack Station. Reds Meadow is a popular area for outdoor recreation, including access for the John Muir and Pacific Crest Trails, and is important to the local tourism economy during the summer. The proposed project includes reconstruction and widening of the upper 2.5 miles to two lanes and rehabilitating the existing two-lane pavement width in the lower 5.8 miles.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the Town of Mammoth Lakes proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the above-cited Project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is based on the finding that the Project will not have a significant impact on the environment with mitigation measures incorporated. The reasons to support such a finding are documented by an Initial Study prepared by the Federal Highway Administration - Central Federal Lands Highway Division and the Town of Mammoth Lakes. Copies of the Initial Study, the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, and supporting materials are available for review at the Town of Mammoth Lakes Community and Economic Development Department, 437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite 230, Mammoth Lakes, CA, and online at <http://www.townofmammothlakes.ca.gov/758/Reds-Meadow-Road-Improvements-Project>. For questions regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration, please contact:

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**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** In accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines, any comments concerning the findings of the proposed Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration must be submitted in writing and received by the Town of Mammoth Lakes no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 4, 2018, in order to be considered prior to the Town's final determination on the project. Should you decide to challenge this Project, you may be limited to the issues raised during this public review period. Please mail or email your written comments to Sandra Moberly, Community & Economic Development Director, Town of Mammoth Lakes, P.O. Box 1609, 437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite 230, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546; or E-mail: [smoberly@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov](mailto:smoberly@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov).

**Starting Date:** Friday, May 4, 2018

**Ending Date:** Monday, June 4, 2018



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**PUBLIC HEARING:** The Town Council will hold a public hearing to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration. The public hearing is preliminarily scheduled to take place on:

**Date:** Wednesday, June 6, 2018  
**Time:** 6:00 PM  
**Location:** Town Council Chambers/Suite Z  
Minaret Village Shopping Center  
437 Old Mammoth Road  
Mammoth Lakes, California 93546

**If you require additional information please contact Sandra Moberly at 760-965-3633**

Date:

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Signature:

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