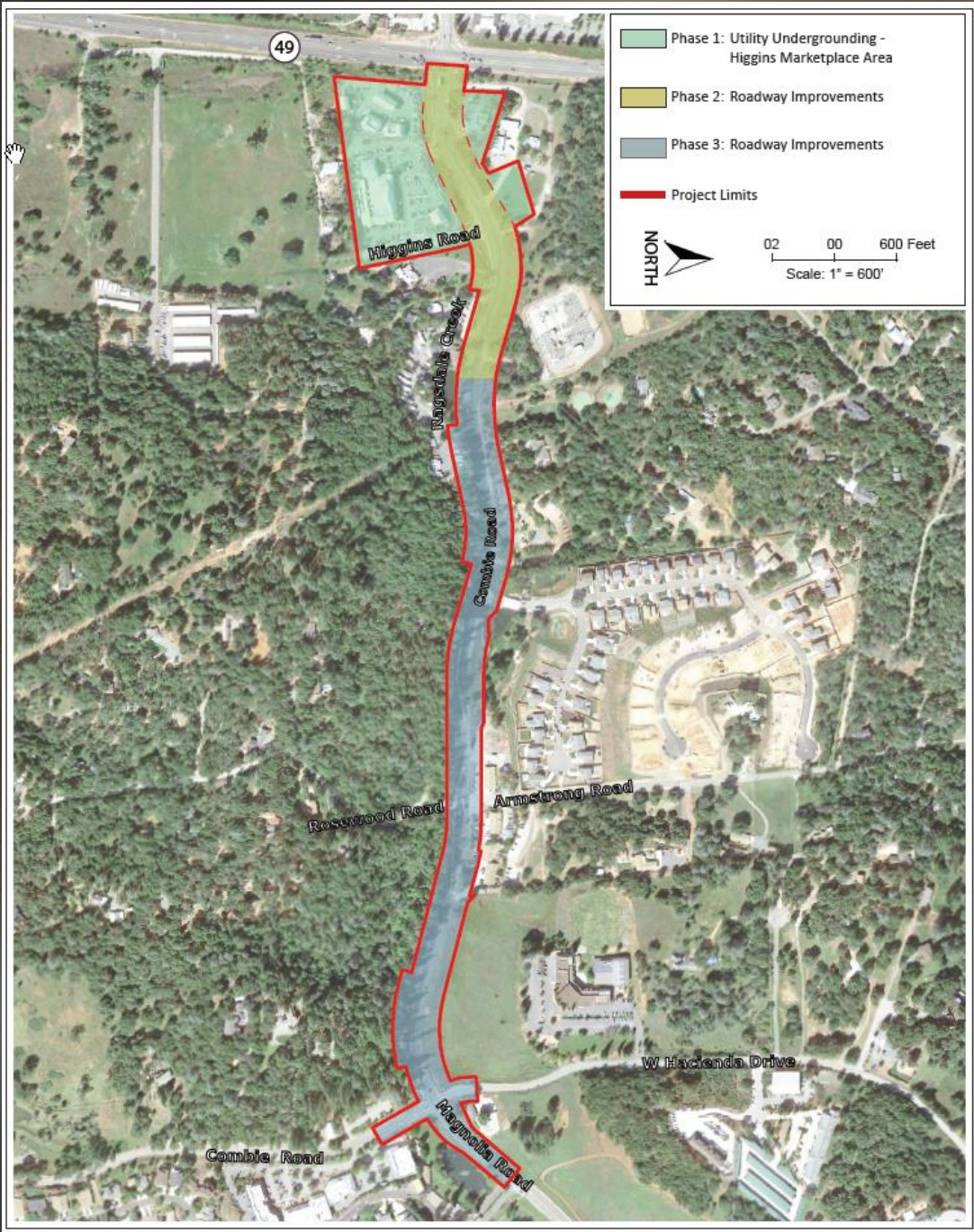


Environmental Clearance Combie Road Improvement Project

Nevada County Board of Supervisors
October 11, 2016

Recommended Action

Adopt Combie Road Improvement Project Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration



Project Design

General Overview – Key Components

- Widening Combie Road to West Hacienda Drive
- Traffic Signal at Combie and Higgins Road
- Higgins Fire Station Access Realignment
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Path
- Underground Utility Relocation

Environmental Documentation

CEQA Process

- Background
 - Local Project – CEQA Compliance only
 - Triggered Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND)

Environmental Documentation

Key Environmental Issues

- Document addressed construction and operational impacts
 - Traffic, Circulation, and Public Access
 - Noise
 - Air Quality
 - Biological Resources
 - Cultural Resources
 - Visual Resources

Environmental Documentation

CEQA Process

- Steps in the Process
 - Prepared Environmental Document (2016)
 - 30 Day Circulation Period – August 2016
 - Response to Comments and Revised Final Document – September 2016

Table B1
Summary of Comment Letters

Letter Date	Letter Type	Commenter
August 2, 2016	Agency	Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District
August 24, 2016	Agency	Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
August 26, 2016	Non-Agency Stakeholder	United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria
August 29, 2016	Agency	California Department of Transportation – District 3
August 31, 2016	Agency	Governor's Office of Planning and Research – State Clearinghouse

Next Steps

- Easement Acquisition (2016)
- Utility Undergrounding (2017)
- Improvement Project (2018)

Questions and Answers