

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Project Title: Escalon Area Streets Resurfacing

Project Location: See attached vicinity map

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries: See attached project description

Public Agency Approving Project: San Joaquin County Public Works Department

Name of Agency Carrying Out Project: San Joaquin County Public Works Department

This is to advise that the San Joaquin County Public Works Department has approved the above described project on 10/9/2025 and has made the determination that the project is exempt due to the following:

Exempt Status (check one):

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080 (b) (1); 15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080 (b) (3); 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080 (B) (4); 15269(b) (c))
- ☒ Categorical Exemption: Existing Facilities (Sec. 15301 (c))
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (Sec. 15282(l))

Reason(s) why project is exempt: The project will repair existing roads and will not result in any major alterations to the configuration of the roads. No additional vehicle travel lanes will be constructed.

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ESCALON AREA STREETS RESURFACING

Project Description

Project Location:

Arthur Road: Sexton Road to Escalon City Limit, **Buerer Road:** Escalon-Bellota Road to East End, **Narcissus Road:** St John Road to East End, **Seidner Avenue:** River Road to North End. **See attached Vicinity Map.**

Project Justification:

The roadways were originally constructed as part of the Escalon Alfalfa Farms, Magnolia Farm, Alice D. Jones Tract and Escalon Colony Tract subdivisions. Exact dates of roadway construction are not known. The project roadways have been maintained with periodic chip seals with Buerer Road, Narcissus Road and Seidner Road in 2020 and Arthur Road in 2021.

The existing roadway surfaces within the project limits have moderate alligator cracking along with some areas of block cracking and extended segments of rutting, multiple edge failures, and surface irregularities due to farming operations and water ponding on the roads. Current Overall Condition Index (OCI) ratings range from 40-61.

Scope of Work:

The project will consist of:

1. Placing 0.25 feet Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) overlay on all roadway segments within the project limits.
2. Repairing pavement structural failure areas with full depth 0.25 feet HMA (Type A).
3. Placing 4 feet Aggregate Base (AB) shoulders (2 feet at 8%, 2 feet to conform).
4. Constructing Earthwork (Miscellaneous Areas) in locations with shoulders higher than the roadway.
5. Placing 4-6 feet HMA driveways along with 5 paved frontages.

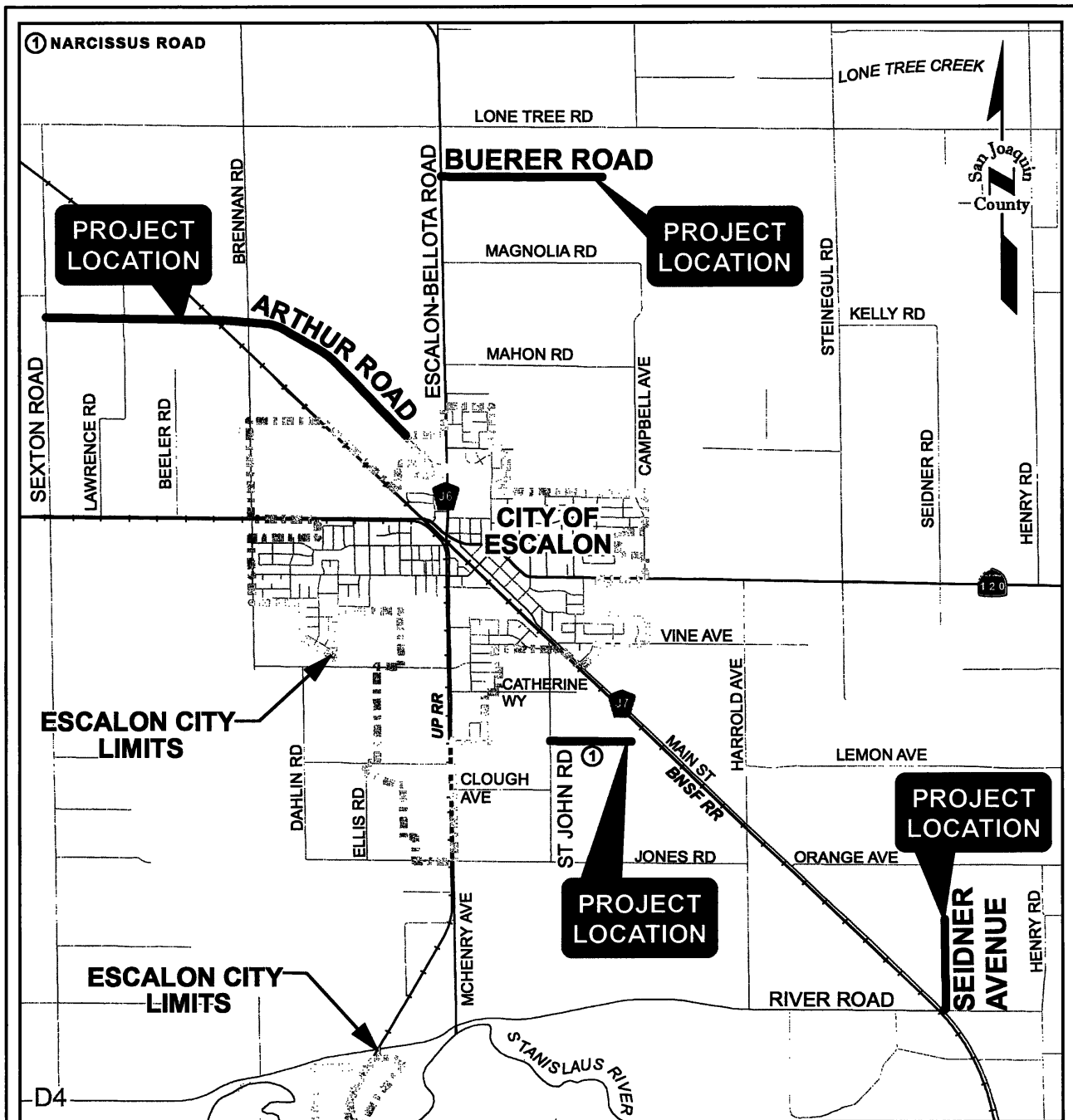
Environmental Setting:

In these portions of the San Joaquin County, land usage is primarily **rural with single family homes.**

There are many large trees adjacent to the project area. Nesting and migratory birds, protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, may nest within these trees. Furthermore, the Swainson's Hawk, a raptor species of concern within the State of California and listed as threatened may nest adjacent to or within the project area. A pre-construction survey for nesting Swainson's Hawks and other migratory birds is recommended if construction is scheduled to occur from February 15th to September 1st.

Beneficiaries:

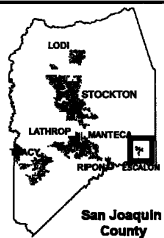
The public will see increased safety and fewer hazards with these well-maintained roads. Overall, there will be reduced maintenance concerns and more reliability within the project areas.



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Vicinity Map ESCALON AREA STREETS RESURFACING

Arthur Road: Sexton Road to Escalon City Limit
Buerer Road: Escalon-Bellota Road to E/End
Narcissus Road: St John Road to E/End
Seidner Avenue: River Road to N/End

