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This bill would provide a definition of road for purposes of an exemption from certain threatened and endangered species protections. Under current law, plants on ditches and roadways are exempt from provisions prohibiting the taking of threatened and endangered species. This bill would replace “roadway” for purposes of the exemption with “an existing public road right-of way” which is defined as “the entire right-of-way of a public road, including the traveled portions, banks, ditches, shoulders, and medians of a roadway, that is not privately owned.”