

SR-57 to SR-55



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Welcome

Public Hearing Open House Format

State Route 91 (SR-91) Improvement Project
between SR-57 and SR-55

December 11, 2018

5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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PROJECT INTRODUCTION



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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Caltrans and OCTA propose to improve State Route 91 from State Route 57 to State Route 55 by:

- ▶ Widening the mainline, primarily in the eastbound direction
- ▶ Modifying various interchanges, connectors, ramps and intersections

As part of the environmental study, a No Build Alternative and a Build Alternative were studied.





PROJECT DEVELOPMENT TEAM



LEAD AGENCY

California Department of Transportation

Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Oversees compliance with CEQA and NEPA and approves environmental documents and the preferred alternative.

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PROJECT SPONSOR

Responsible Agency under CEQA; Funds and manages the environmental review process consistent with OC Go, formerly Measure M, which is Orange County's local transportation sales tax.

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TEAM MEMBERS

Provide input and feedback during the environmental review process.



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HOW TO PARTICIPATE

AT TODAY'S HEARING

- ▶ Learn about the SR-91 Improvement Project, the environmental process and study findings by visiting each station and speaking with members of the project team.
- ▶ Submit comments and questions using the comment card.
- ▶ Sign-up for future project updates.

PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD

-  The Draft Environmental Document is available for public review and comment from **November 20, 2018 to December 21, 2018.**
-  Read the Draft Environmental Document at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/d12/DEA/91/OK980>

SUBMIT COMMENTS

-  Submit comment card at today's public hearing.
-  Communicate your comment to a licensed court reporter at this meeting.
-  Email: D12.SR91.Project@dot.ca.gov
(Public Comments)
-  Mail to: **Kathleen Dove**
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ABOUT THE PROJECT



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PROJECT NEED AND PURPOSE

THE NEED

The current deficiencies on SR-91 within the project limits are as follows:

- ▶ Existing and projected SR-91 mainline peak period traffic demand exceeds available capacity in numerous locations within the project limits.
- ▶ Congestion due to weaving and merging between successive ramps at several interchanges creates bottlenecks along WB SR-91.

THE PURPOSE

The purpose of the proposed project within the corridor is to:

- ▶ Improve capacity and reduce congestion.
- ▶ Reduce weaving and merging between successive ramps at several interchanges.

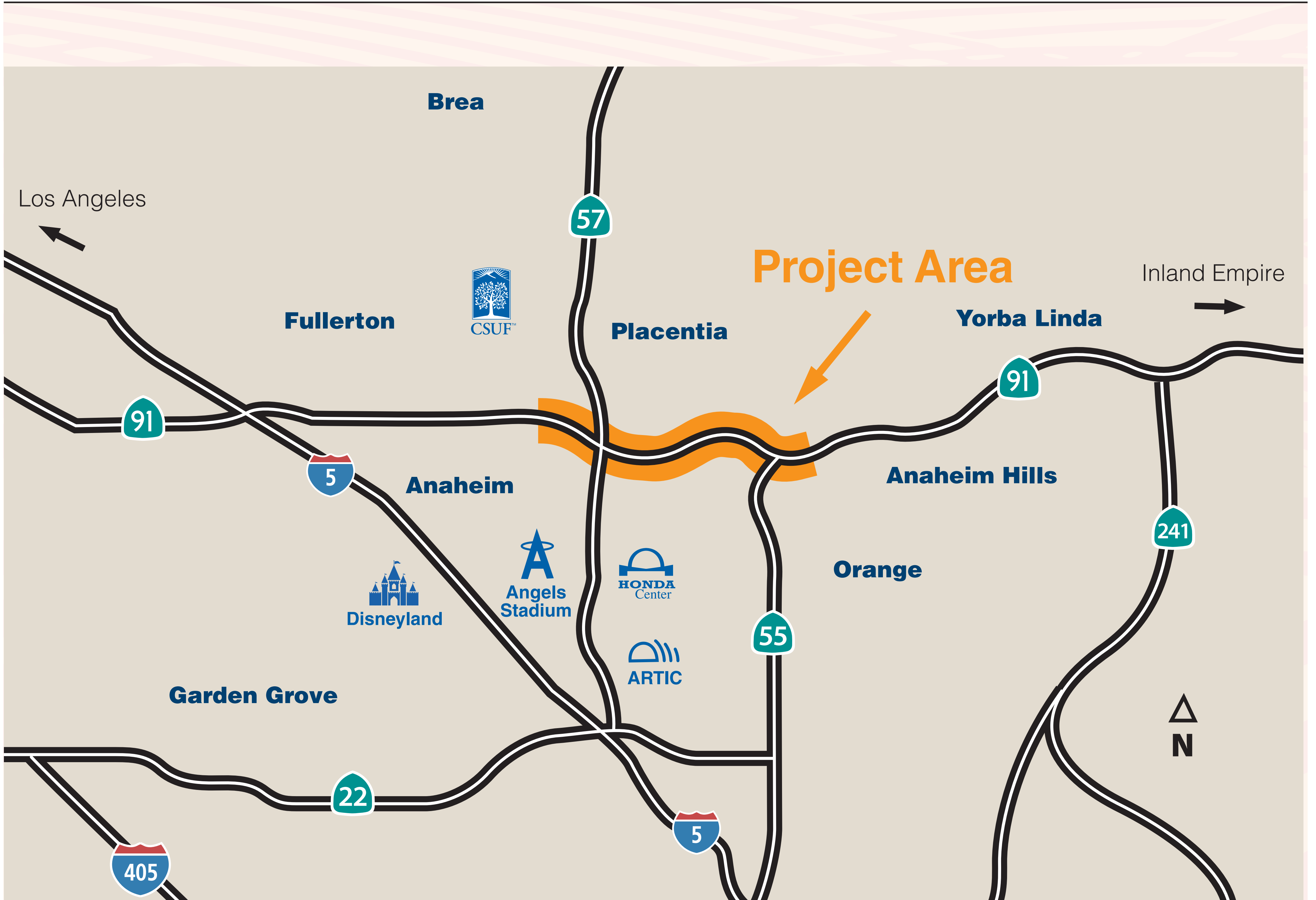


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PROJECT AREA



SR-91 is an important Orange County and regional freeway

- ▶ Connects motorists and visitors with major residential, employment, commercial, educational and entertainment centers.
- ▶ Links Orange County with Los Angeles and the Inland Empire.
- ▶ Serves as a goods movement corridor.



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ESTIMATED COST & SCHEDULE



Total Estimated Project Costs

The total estimated project cost for the build alternative is \$460 million.



Estimated Project Schedule

Environmental Process: 2015 - 2019

The Project's estimated opening year is 2030.

The Final Design/Right-of-Way and Construction schedules are not yet confirmed.

Funding Sources

This project is a part of OC Go, Orange County's half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements over 30 years. It will be funded by a combination of OC Go, 91 Express Lanes Net Excess Toll Revenue and external funding. The environmental review process is funded by federal funds and OC Go.





ENVIRONMENTAL MILESTONES

START
Initiate Project



Technical Studies & Preliminary Design Work

Public Information Meeting
This meeting is held for members of the public to learn about the general project description, purpose and need and environmental process.

We Are Here
Public Circulation and Public Hearing in an Open House Format
The Draft Environmental Document is available for public review and comment for 30 days.

Recommend Preferred Alternative
The Project Development Team will recommend a preferred alternative based on environmental document and public comments.

Project Approval
Caltrans District 12 approves a preferred alternative. The Final Environmental Document is expected to be available mid-2019.

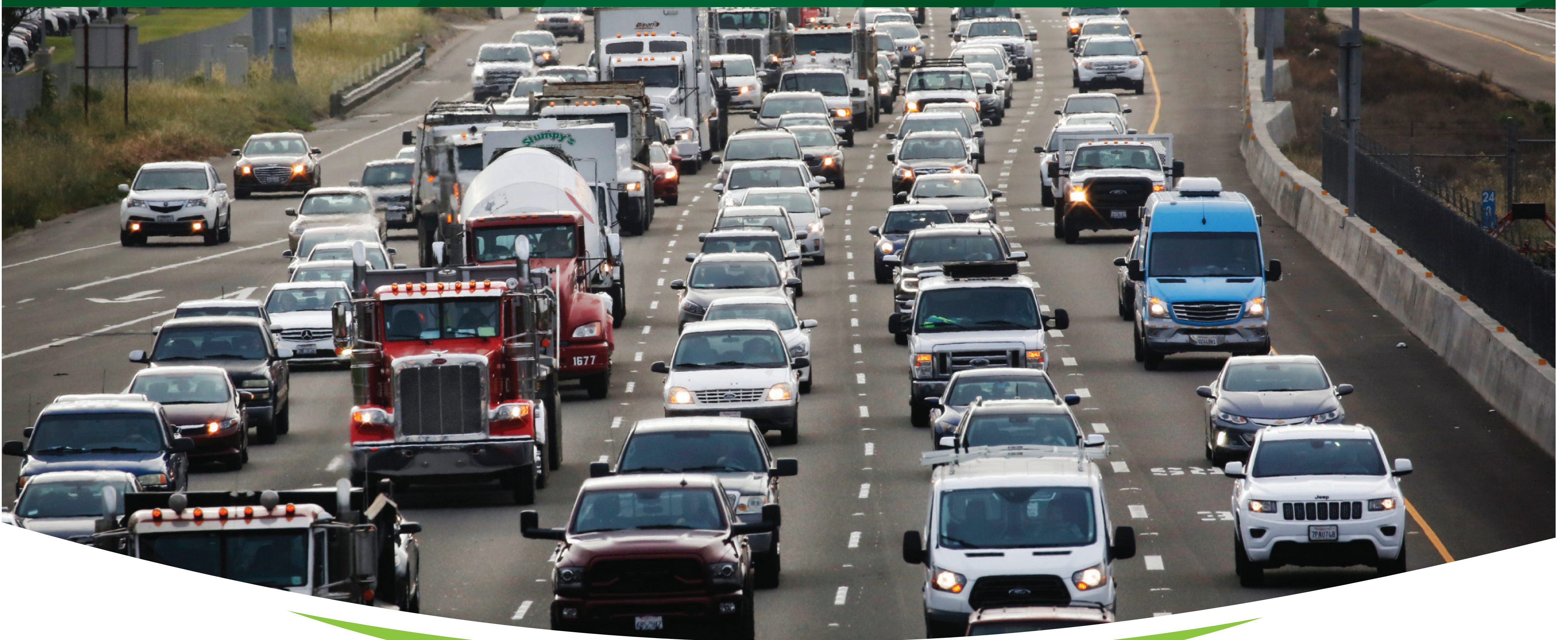




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PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS



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ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS



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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

PURPOSE OF CEQA AND NEPA



INFORM governmental decision-makers and the public about potential, significant environmental effects of proposed project.



IDENTIFY ways that environmental effects can be avoided or significantly reduced.



PREVENT significant, avoidable environmental effects by requiring changes in the project through the use of alternatives or mitigation measures when the governmental agency finds the changes to be feasible.



DISCLOSE reasons why an agency approved a project.



PROMOTE and encourage public participation.

STUDY RESULTS

Following public circulation, the Final Environmental Document is anticipated to be an Initial Study/Environmental Assessment with Negative Declaration.



ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY AREAS

PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT



Air Quality



Geology & Soils



Hazardous Materials



Hydrology & Foodplains



Noise



Paleontology



Water Quality & Stormwater Runoff

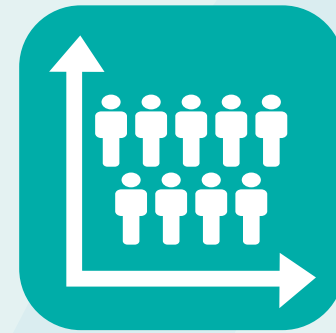
HUMAN ENVIRONMENT



Community Impacts



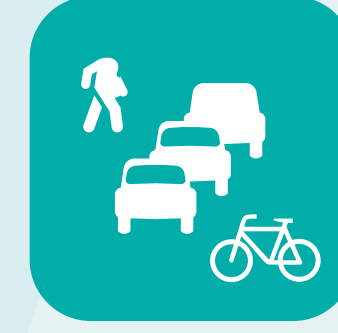
Cultural Resources



Population Growth



Land Use



Traffic



Utilities /
Emergency Services



Visuals /
Aesthetics

BIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT



Animal Species



Invasive Species



Natural
Communities



Plant Species



Threatened &
Endangered
Species



Wetlands &
Other Waters

* Not an exhaustive list of all areas of study



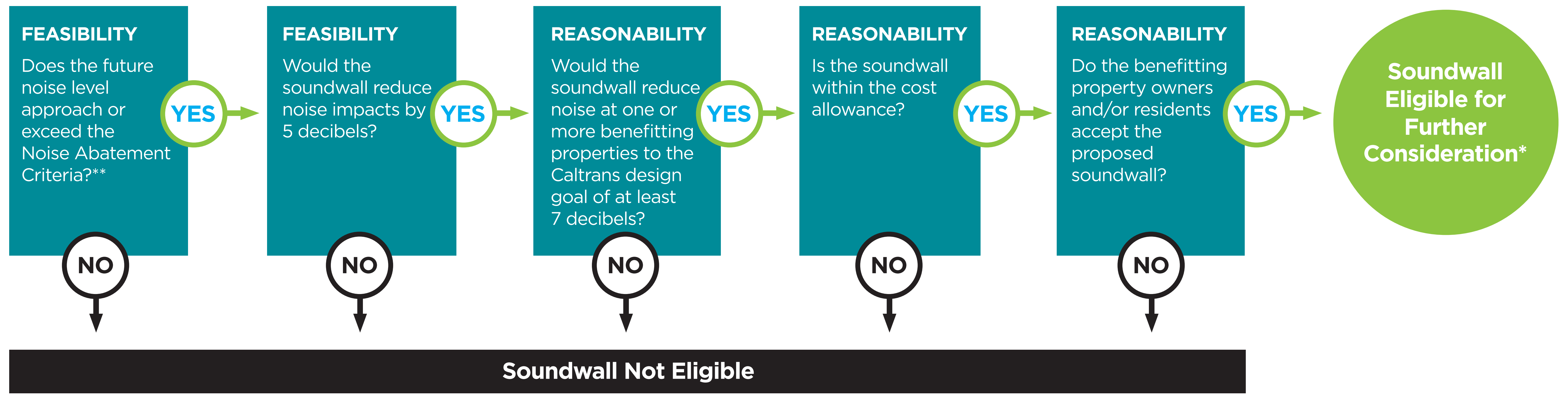
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SOUNDWALL EVALUATION PROCESS

The Caltrans process requires proposed soundwalls to be determined feasible and reasonable in the environmental study phase to be further analyzed in the final design phase.

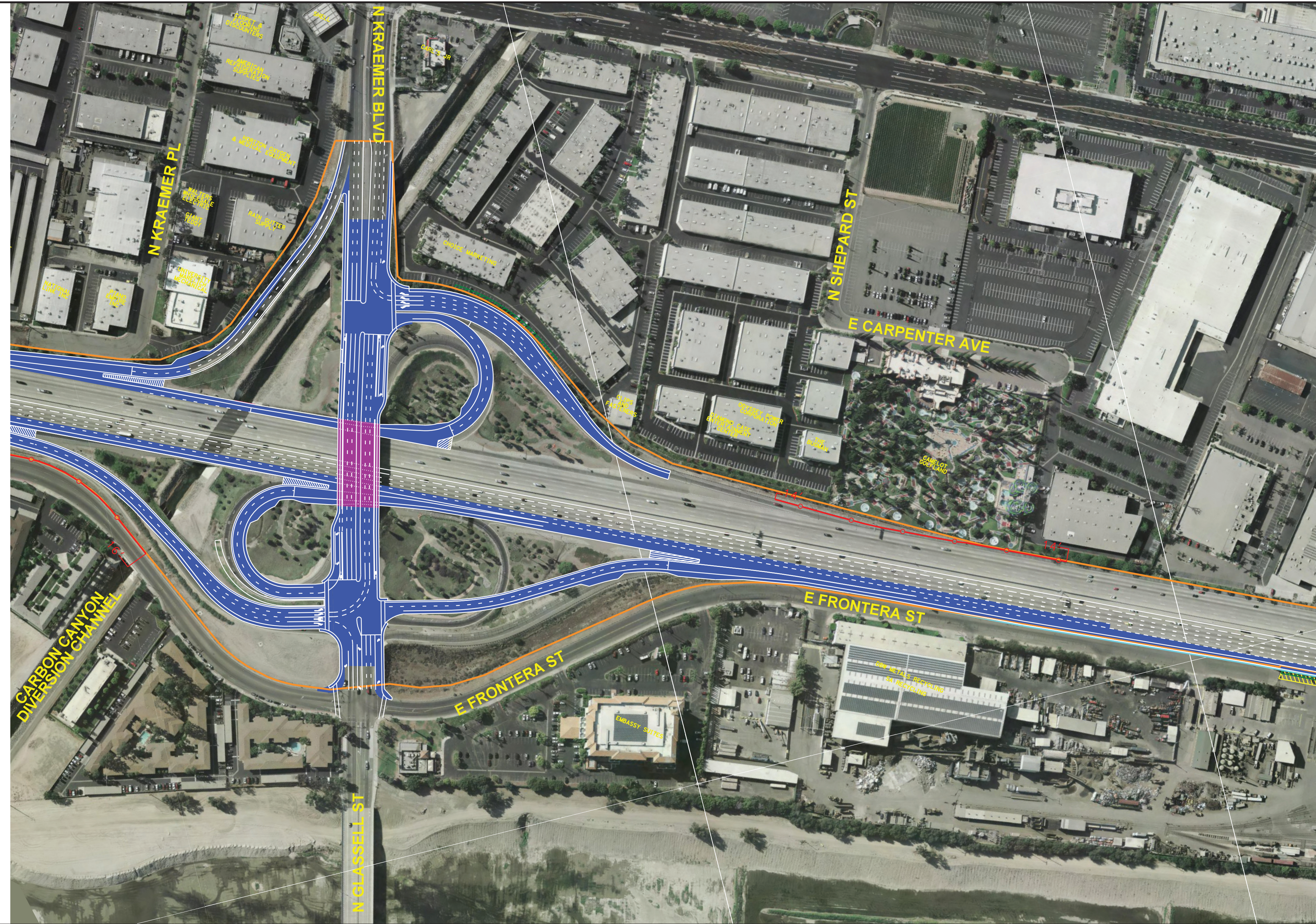


*Reasonableness of each eligible soundwall is further evaluated during the final design phase, when more detailed cost estimates are available. See Chapter 2 of the draft environmental document or speak with project staff for more information.

** To define CEQA traffic noise impact, predicted design-year traffic noise levels are compared to the existing conditions. Per the Noise Study Report, noise levels would not result in a substantial increase.



SOUNDWALL NO. 457



Soundwall No.	S 457
Direction	Westbound
Heights	16' @ ROW
Length	Approx. 800 Feet
Location	Westbound State 91 at Caltrans ROW approaching Kraemer Blvd. & Glassell St.
Property Owner	Caltrans

LEGEND

- PROPOSED R/W
- EXISTING R/W
- PROPOSED SOUNDWALL
- EXISTING SOUNDWALL
- PROPOSED PAVEMENT
- NEW BRIDGE
- BRIDGE WIDENING
- TCE
- UTILITY EASEMENT



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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & STAY CONNECTED



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RESPONSE TO COMMENTS:

The Final Environmental Document will address public comments received by December 21, 2018. The project's final environmental document is anticipated to be published in mid-2019.



READ THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

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YOUR COMMENTS.**

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TITLE VI VOLUNTARY SURVEY

- ▶ Participation is voluntary and anonymous
- ▶ Includes a short series of multiple choice questions
- ▶ Takes less than 1 minute to complete

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