

PUBLIC NOTICE

Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment available for the Improvements at SR-17/I-280/I-880 Interchange, I-280/Winchester Boulevard Interchange, and I-880/Stevens Creek Boulevard Interchange Project

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING

WHAT'S BEING PLANNED: The California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS), in cooperation with the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and City of San Jose, is proposing to modify the existing SR17/I-280/I-880, I-280/Winchester Boulevard, and I-880/Stevens Creek Boulevard interchanges in San Jose to improve operations and safety on the freeways and local roadways; improve access between the I-280 and I-880 freeway corridors; reduce the operational and safety problems; and reduce traffic congestion and delay in the project area.

WHY THIS AD: CALTRANS has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show it will significantly affect traffic at four intersections and visual quality at one location. The report that explains these effects is called an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (EIR/EA). This notice is to tell you of the preparation of the Draft EIR/EA and of its availability for you to review. The review period is from November 5 through December 20, 2010.

A hearing will be held on December 8, 2010 to give you an opportunity to view project exhibits, discuss the Draft EIR/EA with project staff, and enter formal comments into the public record before the Final EIR/EA is prepared and the final design is selected.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE: You can review the Draft EIR/EA at the CALTRANS District Office, 111 Grand Avenue, Oakland, CA 94612 on weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Draft EIR/EA is also available for review at VTA, 3331 N 1st Street, Building B Lobby, San Jose, CA 95134; at San Jose Public Library – Rose Garden Branch, 1580 Naglee Avenue, San Jose, CA 95126; and Santa Clara Public Library, 2635 Homestead Road, Santa Clara, CA 95051. You can review the Draft EIR/EA online at www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/envdocs.htm. You can also request a copy of the Draft EIR/EA by calling CALTRANS at 510-286-5705 or VTA at 408-321-5789.

WHERE YOU COME IN: Have the potential impacts been addressed? Do you have information that should be included? Your comments will be part of the public record. If you wish to make a comment on the Draft EIR/EA, you may submit your comments at the hearing or mail, fax, or email your written comments until December 20, 2010 to CALTRANS, Attn: Sheryl M. Garcia, 111 Grand Avenue, Mail Station 8-B, Oakland, California 94612; FAX: 510-286-5600; Email: 880_280_StevensCreek_EIR_EA_Comments@dot.ca.gov.

WHEN AND WHERE: The hearing will be held on
December 8, 2010
 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
 Castlemont Elementary School - Cafeteria
 3040 East Payne Avenue, Campbell, CA 95008
This location is served by VTA Bus Route 60.

Individuals who require special accommodation or assistance (American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating, etc.) are requested to contact VTA Community Outreach at 408-321-7575 at least 5 working days before the meeting.

CONTACT: For more information about the EIR/EA or any transportation matter, call CALTRANS at 510-286-5705 or VTA at 408-321-5789. Individuals who require documents in alternative formats are requested to contact the District 4 Public Affairs Office at 510-286-5705 or use the California Relay Service TYY number 1-800-734-2929.

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