

## FACT SHEET



# RESILIENT STATE ROUTE 37 CORRIDOR – SEARS POINT TO MARE ISLAND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Caltrans, Metropolitan Transportation Commission

### Project Location:

The Project is located in Sonoma, Napa, and Solano Counties on State Route (SR) 37 from a mile west of SR 121 at Sears Point to the Napa River Bridge in Vallejo.

### Project Scope:

The purpose of the Project is to support transit service along the corridor, improve traffic flow and peak travel times, increase vehicle occupancy, enhance residents' quality of life, improve freight throughput, support multimodal travel, improve safety and public access, preserve and protect surrounding ecosystems, and improve corridor resilience against flooding in the near term.

### Project Features Include:

- **High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lanes** to increase person throughput in fewer vehicles
- **Corridor-wide Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) elements** include fiber optic/broadband, variable message signs, CCTVs with video analytics, vehicular detection, tolling system, transit signal priority, traffic operations system, and ramp metering
- **Bus transit** implementation between Vallejo, Novato, and San Rafael, including funding for six Zero Emission Buses, and new and improved mobility hub connections.
- Public Access Improvements
- New **signs** (toll related and exit ramp signs)
- New **lighting** at tolling gantries, California Highway Patrol (CHP) observational areas, and at local road intersections
- **CHP observational areas** for CHP vehicles to park, monitor, and enforce compliance with the HOV lanes and tolling
- **Vehicle pullout areas** to improve traffic flow and safety
- **Slope protection** including sheet piles, rock slope protection, and engineered slopes
- **Widening of Sonoma Creek Bridge and Tolay Creek Bridge** and its abutments to accommodate the additional HOV lanes.
- New **traffic signals** at Noble Road and signal modifications at SR 121.
- **Reconstruct the existing at-grade crossing** at the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit tracks.



*Figure 1 – SR-37 looking east*

## **Project Cost:**

| Total Project Cost | Total SCCP Request |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| \$430,000,000      | \$70,000,000       |

## **Project Schedule:**

| PA&ED    | PS&E     | R/W        | RTL        | CON       |
|----------|----------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Dec 2022 | Feb 2025 | March 2025 | April 2025 | 2025-2027 |

## **Project Benefits:**

The Project will implement bus transit service, encourage carpooling and ridesharing, and improve traffic flow and reduce travel time during peak periods by addressing existing bottlenecks and providing a HOV and toll lane. Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions will be reduced through improved travel time and the introduction of bus transit service and carpooling on the corridor which will help the region meet its GHG targets and advance the State's air quality and climate goals. The Project would result in lower annual GHG emissions for future years compared to the No Build Alternative. Tolling, providing bus transit options, and encouraging carpooling and ridesharing is expected to result in viewer vehicle trips and reduced vehicle miles traveled (VMT).

Travel demand indicates that about a quarter of the traveling public on SR 37 is of lower income, resulting in a disproportionate congestion impact on these commuters who use the corridor to access employment centers. The Project will provide an equitable transportation solution for all travelers to jobs, services, and recreation. This Project will encourage affordable and accessible transportation choices, improve emergency access, reduce auto dependence, reduce travel time (and associated costs) and improve travel reliability, which has been a barrier to opportunity for disadvantaged communities. The Project will not impact community character or negatively affect adjacent communities.

## **Key Project Benefits**



**Multimodal  
Transportation**



**Equity**



**Environmental  
Preservation**



**Public Access**



**Congestion  
Relief**