

SR 52 EAST / WEST IMPROVEMENTS FACT SHEET

The Project

This project adds Managed Lanes and extends the freeway to greatly improve traffic flow on State Route 52 (SR 52), from Interstate 15 (I-15) east to State Route 67 (SR 67). There are two components to this project: SR 52 East and SR 52 West.

- » The SR 52 East project will complete the last two phases of a five-phase project. These phases are completely within the City of Santee and extend SR 52 from SR 125 east to SR 67. It also includes a full freeway interchange at SR 52 and SR 67.
- » The SR 52 West project will construct one additional general purpose freeway lane in each direction and two reversible Managed Lanes from I-15 to SR 125.

parallel routes and local arterials such as I-8, Mission Gorge Road, Mast Boulevard, and Prospect Avenue.

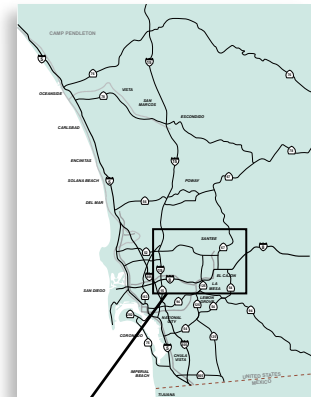
- » Completion of the SR 52 freeway will provide direct access for residents in East County communities to job centers.
- » The completed project is expected to reduce traffic on I-8 by as much as 20 percent.

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The Need

This project will reduce congestion on existing



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- » A Managed Lanes facility will allow for traffic flow to be reversed during peak periods.

Project Status

SR 52 East

- » Phases 4 and 5 are being developed as a single project which is expected to begin construction in late 2007.
- » Phase 4 is being designed in close coordination with the City of Santee's Forester Creek project. Forester Creek flows immediately adjacent to and then across the freeway alignment. Improvements to the creek impact many aspects of freeway design. Forester Creek is under construction, and the improvement will eliminate the frequent flooding that occurs in the project vicinity.

SR 52 West

- » Caltrans and SANDAG are working together to accelerate development of the project by starting the design phase concurrent with the environmental phase.
- » It is expected that the majority of the project can be built in the existing freeway right-of-way.
- » Widening of critical segments can be achieved within two years to reduce congestion.

Funding Status

SR 52 East

- » This \$599.5 million project is expected to receive local funding from the *TransNet* half-cent sales tax program. Additional federal funds will augment expected local funds and will be needed to address increases in right-of-way and bridge construction costs.
- » To date, Congress has appropriated \$1.5 million, and \$10 million was included in SAFETEA-LU.

SR 52 West

- » This \$340 million project will receive local funding from *TransNet*.
- » Matching funds will be needed from state and federal sources. The Project Study Report with detailed cost and scope information will be completed in early 2007.

Summary

This project will provide the residents living in the east part of the county better access to jobs in the west, while relieving congestion on existing freeways and local arterials.