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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Open House for Rio Vista Bridge Preservation

*Community Feedback Sought on Two Projects*

RIO VISTA — The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is hosting a community meeting on Wednesday, June 22 to share information about two Rio Vista Bridge preservation projects and how they will affect motorists and community members.

The meeting is scheduled from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Rio Vista City Hall, One Main Street, and will include a brief Power Point presentation. Caltrans staff will be on hand to answer questions and discuss the two proposed projects in which construction is expected to cover a six-year period.



The first project will maintain and preserve the steel structural members of the Rio Vista Bridge (No. 23-0024) on State Highway 12 over the Sacramento River by cleaning and painting all steel surfaces.

The existing coating system on the Rio Vista Bridge is deteriorating in different locations. There are rust spots along the truss, tower, and floor system members, and rusting around many of the truss gusset plate nuts and bolts. The \$37 million painting project is nearing the end of the environmental phase, and the design team is beginning to assemble the construction plans and specifications. Construction is scheduled from fall 2017 to spring 2022.



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Funding in the amount of \$19.2 million is being proposed in the next funding cycle for the second project which proposes to maintain the operation and structural integrity of the drawbridge by replacing the mechanical and electrical systems. This project also proposes to replace two existing elevators and installing a 4 inch sewer line.

The existing electrical and mechanical systems are at the end of their useful service life and need to be replaced to maintain the operation of this movable bridge for both roadway and navigational traffic. The two elevators are out of service and the sewer line will allow plumbed facilities on the bridge. Construction is proposed from 2022 to 2023.

Space is very limited at the meeting location and anyone requiring special accommodations to attend the public open house can contact the Caltrans District 3 Public Information Office at (530) 741-5474.

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