San Benito Route 156
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Project Description:

The San Benito Route 156 Improvement Project will construct about 5 new miles of 4-lane at-grade expressway from The Alameda in San Juan Bautista to Business Route 156 near Hollister.

San Benito Route 156 provides a key east-west link between the Cities of Hollister and San Juan Bautista as well as the Central Coast and the Central Valley. The project will reduce peak hour traffic congestion and save millions in vehicle operating and accident costs.

Project Benefits:

- Saves accident and vehicle operating costs, $34.6 million over 20 years
- Reduces congestion delay by 1,902 hours daily, 694,257 hours yearly
- Provides $102.8 million return on investment over 20 years

Project Cost:

- Environmental: $3.9 million
- Design: $5.5 million
- Right-of-way: $23.3 million
- Construction: $48.5 million
- Total: $81.2 million

The project is fully funded through construction with local Traffic Impact Fees, State and Interregional Improvement Program funds.

Project Schedule:

- Environmental: October 2008
- Supplemental ENV: September 2011
- Design: January 2017
- Right-of-way: November 2016
- Construction start: July 2017
- Construction end: July 2019
- Open to public: July 2019

San Benito Route 156 at Peak Commute
San Benito Route 156 Improvement Project Map

Begin Project

End Project

Approximately 1 Mile

Existing Highway

Right of Way

Frontage Roads

Expressway

TO US 101

San Juan Bautista

San Juan Brea Rd

Mission Vineyard Rd

Cagney Rd

Lucy Brown Ln

Bixby Rd

Flint Rd

Mitchell Rd

San Juan Hollister Rd

Hollister Rd