San Benito Route 156 Improvement Project

San Benito Route 156 at Peak Commute

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

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Project Cost:

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

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

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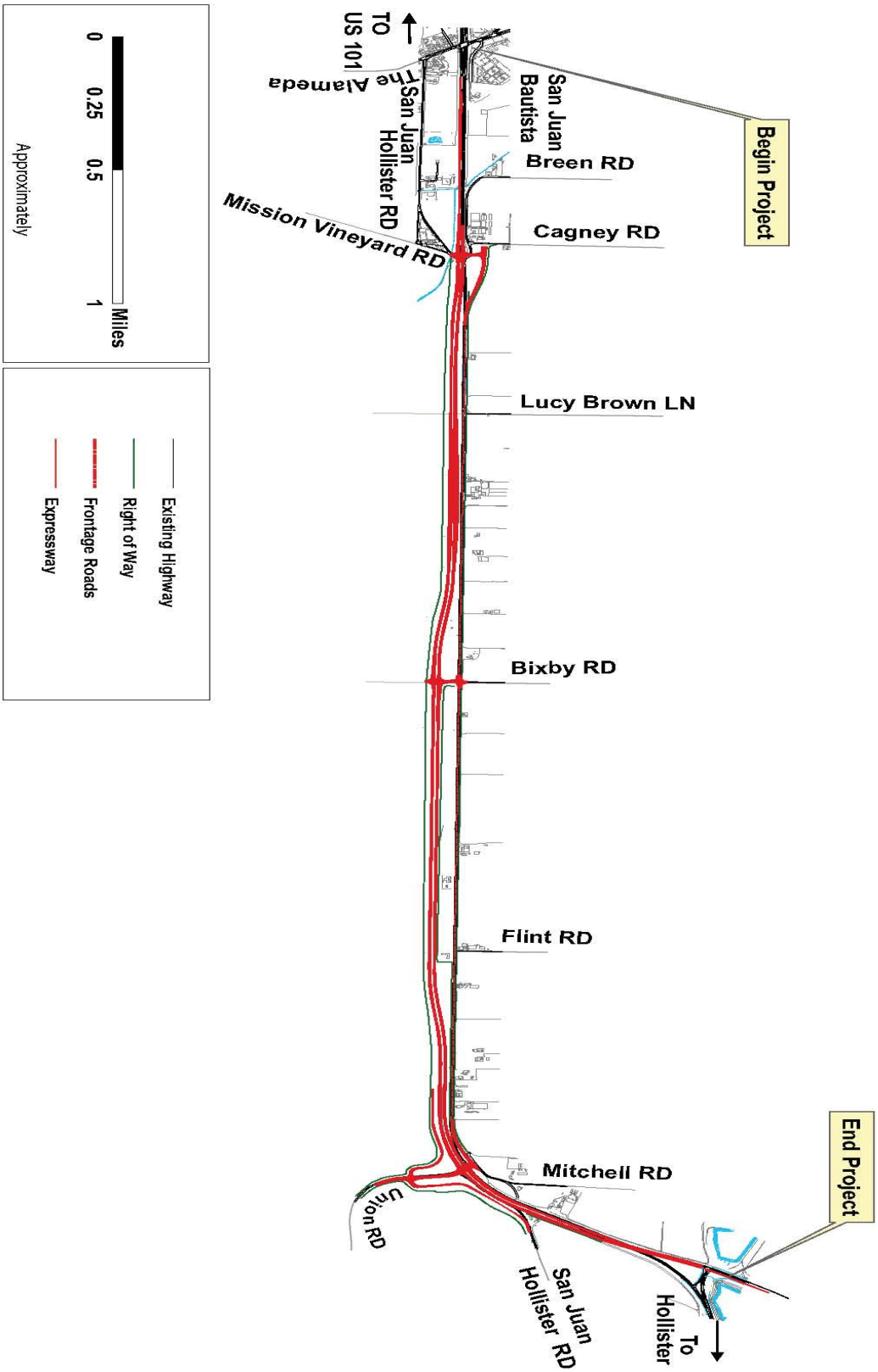
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