



High Desert Corridor

-New State Route 138/E-220



Project Scoping Open House
September 2010

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Scoping Meetings

Palmdale, Lancaster, Apple Valley and Victorville
September 27, 28, 29 and 30, 2010

- Purpose of Scoping:
 - To identify issues to be addressed in the environmental documents
- Lead Agencies:
 - CEQA: Caltrans is the state lead agency
 - NEPA: Caltrans is the delegated federal lead agency
- Written comments:
 - Please submit by **November 1, 2010.**



Your Role in Scoping



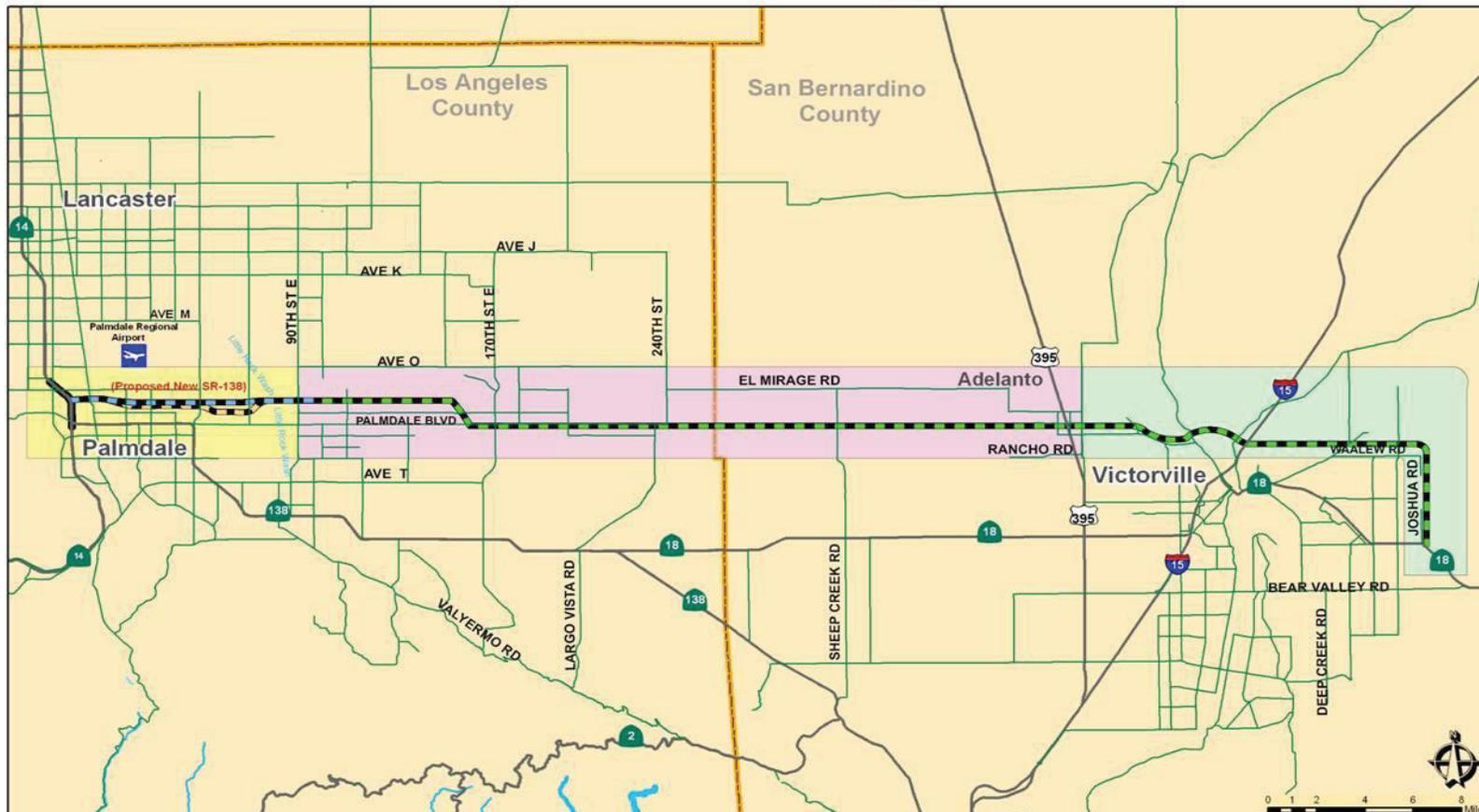
- 1.) **When?** - Early in the EIR/EIS process.
- 2.) **Who?** - The public + federal, state and local agencies.
- 3.) **What?** - Identify potential alternatives, issues and impacts to be analyzed, and the level of detail in the analysis.
- 4.) **How?** - Provide written comments, get on mailing list for project updates, identify agency contacts and stay involved.



Project Location



NEW STATE ROUTE 138



High Desert Corridor Segments

California Department of Transportation
District 7, Los Angeles



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed New SR 138
Current Limits: Approximately 10 miles East-West Connection Project
Current Limits: Approximately 32 miles
Project Study Report completed by Caltrans Dec. 2009 San Bernardino County Project
Current Limits: Approximately 20 miles
Currently in Project Approval & Env. Document Phase | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alternative 1 Alternative 2 Proposed Alignment for East-West Connection & San Bernardino County Projects County Line |
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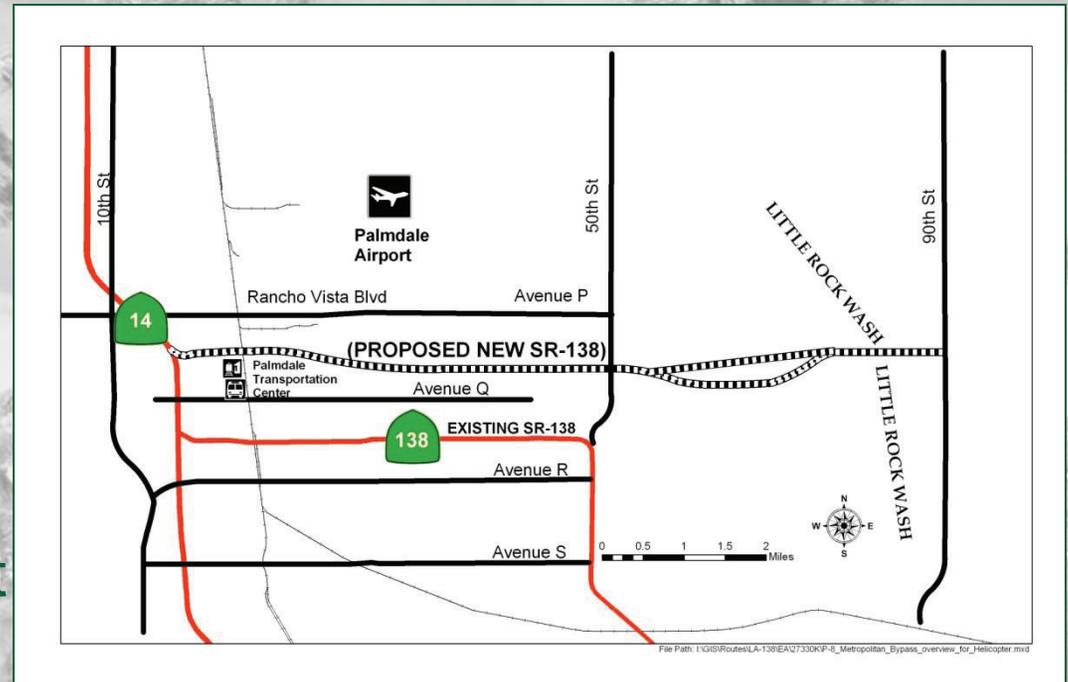
Map Created By: Christina Alexander July 21, 2009



Proposed Project

(Palmdale area)

- Location: runs east-west near the existing Avenue P-8 Corridor from State Route 14 to 100th Street for approximately 10 miles
- Construct new 4-lane east-west (2-lanes each direction) State Route 138 freeway to 50th Street and then transition possibly to an expressway/freeway up to 100th Street



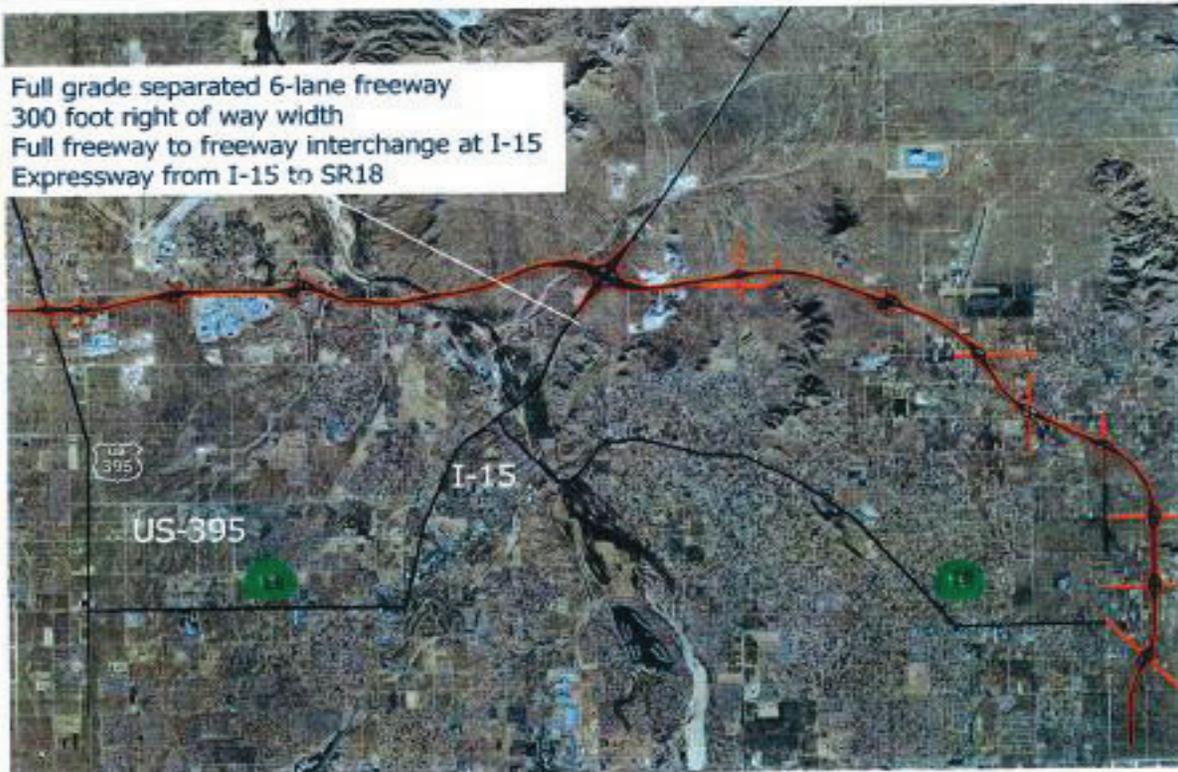
Project Location Map

Proposed Project

(Victorville/Apple Valley area)

Victorville Lead HDC project RTIP 20020144

Full grade separated 6-lane freeway
300 foot right of way width
Full freeway to freeway interchange at I-15
Expressway from I-15 to SR18





Project Purpose & Need

The Need:

- Significant growth has occurred and is projected to resume in the Antelope, Victor and Apple Valley areas
- Existing east-west trending roadways are not sufficient to handle existing and future traffic
- The existing SR-138 is being used as a major goods movement route but is not sufficient
- Regional airports are proposed in Palmdale and Adelanto, near both ends of the east-west corridor
- The existing SR-138, SR-14, I-15 are subject to closure in an emergency



Project Purpose & Need

The Purpose:

- Increase capacity of east-west roadways to handle existing and future traffic
- Improve accessibility within and between communities in the High Desert area
- Meet existing and future demands for goods movement
- Provide improved access to regional airports
- Provide an alternative emergency east-west corridor in the event of an earthquake or other disaster



Project Alternatives

- 1) No Build (No Action)
- 2) Transportation Systems Management/
Transportation Demand Management
(TSM/TDM)
- 3) Freeway/Expressway
 - Variation A
 - Variation B
 - Variation C
- 4) Freeway/Tollway



Project Alternatives



- 5) Avenue P-8 Corridor, SR-138 and SR-18 Improvements
- 6) Freeway/Expressway with right-of-way for a potential High Speed Rail facility
- 7) Freeway/Tollway with right-of-way for a potential High Speed Rail facility



Schedule



Project Milestone Dates:

- Public Outreach - Ongoing
- Issue Notice of Intent & Notice of Preparation - September 2010
- Public scoping Meetings - September 2010
- Complete Draft EIR/EIS - Fall 2012
- Public Hearings - Winter 2012
- Final EIR/EIS - Spring 2013



Environmental Document Type

- CEQA-Environmental Impact Report
- NEPA-Environmental Impact Statement



Project Contact for Comments or to be included on the mailing list

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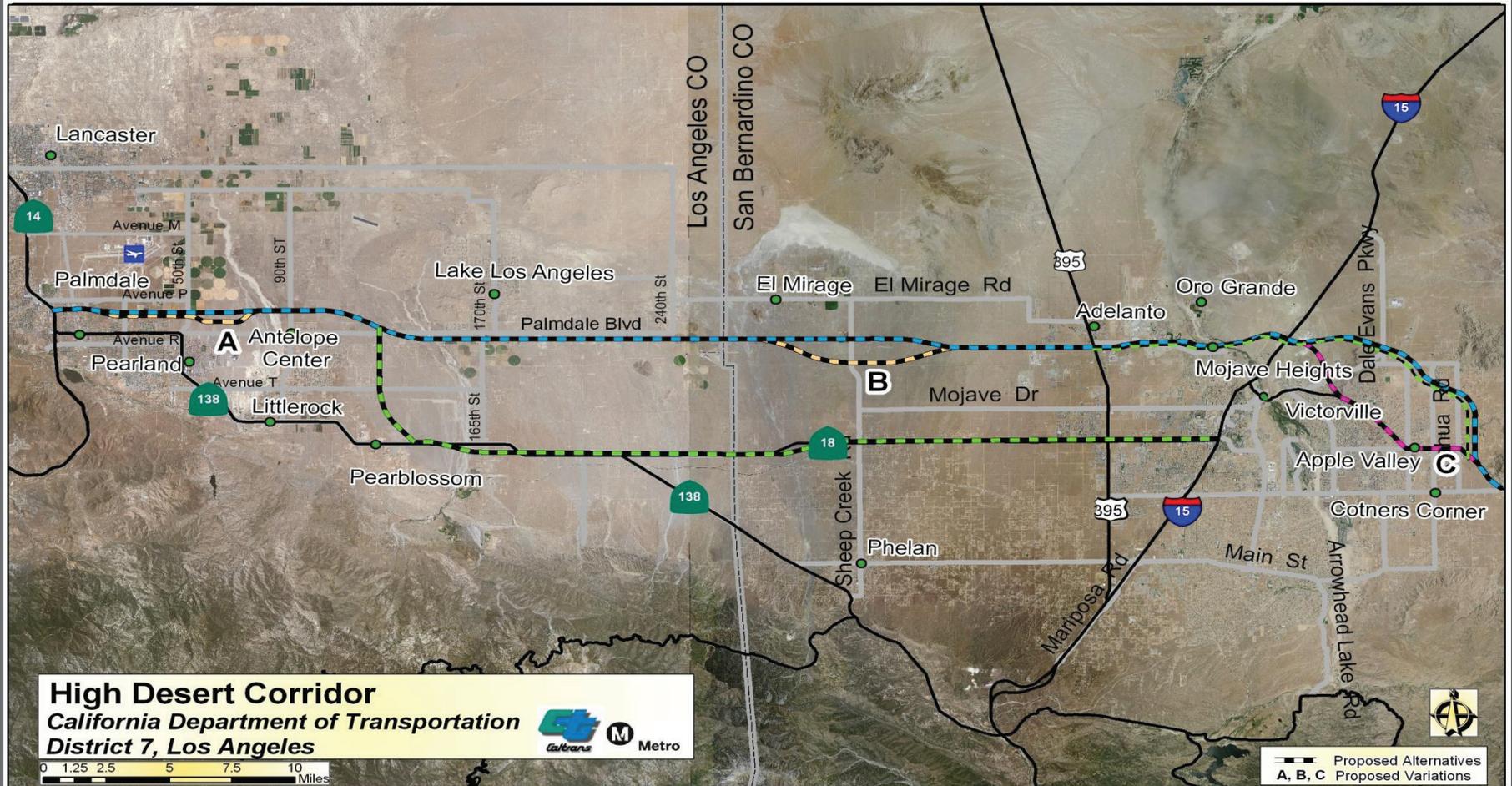
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Project Alternatives



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Caltrans Division of Environmental Planning, September 9, 2010
Engineering Alignment Design Branch B Gordon Leung & Alvin Au
Preliminary Engineering Plans, Final Design Subject to Change

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