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CALTRANS SETS HEARING ON 101/405 CONNECTOR PROJECT

LOS ANGELES –The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 14, to discuss proposed improvements to the connector from the southbound San Diego Freeway (I-405) to the westbound Ventura Freeway (U.S. 101).

The project will involve a new, upgraded 50 mph two-lane connector that would replace the existing 20 mph single-lane connector, and require right-of-way from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers related to the operation of the Sepulveda Dam.

Several design alternatives have been proposed which will be explained at the hearing, scheduled from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Valley Beth Shalom, 15739 Ventura Boulevard, Encino, CA 91436.

A draft Environmental Assessment/Initial Study (EA/IS) has been completed and is available for review and self-copying at the following locations: Caltrans District 7 Division of Environmental Planning, 100 S. Main Street, Los Angeles, 90012; and the Los Angeles Public Library, Van Nuys Branch, 6250 Sylmar Avenue, Van Nuys, 91401 and Sherman Oaks Branch, 14245 Moorpark Street, Sherman Oaks, 91423.

Written comments on the document will be accepted through May 28 and should be addressed to: Mr. Ronald Kosinski, Deputy District Director, Division of Environmental Planning, Caltrans District 7, 100 S. Main Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

The new connector would improve traffic flow at the U.S. 101/I-405 Interchange, particularly during peak periods.

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