



ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING NOTICE

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is seeking public comment on a proposal to widen Interstate 5 (I-5) between State Route 14 (SR-14) and Parker Road to accommodate high occupancy vehicle (HOV) and truck-climbing lanes in the City of Santa Clarita and northern Los Angeles County.



What is Being Planned?

Caltrans and FHWA are proposing to widen I-5 to provide HOV and truck-climbing lanes to help facilitate the movement of persons and goods throughout this proposed project segment of I-5, in order to reduce existing and forecasted traffic congestion, and to support the efficient and effective flow of goods and services into and out of southern California. There may be potential short- and long-term environmental impacts associated with construction and operation of the project, and right-of-way acquisition may be necessary. These and other issues will be addressed in the environmental document.

Why This Notice?

Caltrans is formally initiating studies for this project. Based on preliminary engineering studies, the resulting environmental document is anticipated to be an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS). Caltrans is currently soliciting written comments from all pertinent public agencies, private entities, and interested/affected individuals regarding any potential social, economic, community, traffic, safety, and environmental issues related to this project.

What do you come in?

A public scoping meeting will be held on the proposed project and the environmental process. The meeting will be held on **Monday, June 4, 2007**, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the City of Santa Clarita City Council Chambers, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, CA 91355. Written comments will be accepted at this meeting. Copies of the Notice of Preparation (NOP) will be available at the Los Angeles County Public Library located at 23743 West Valencia Blvd, Valencia, CA 91355 and the City of Santa Clarita located at 23920 Valencia Blvd, Suite 300, Santa Clarita, 91355.

Please send written comments or inquiries by **June 29, 2007** to:

Mr. Ronald Kosinski, Deputy District Director
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Division of Environmental Planning (I-5 HOV/Truck Lanes Widening)
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Contact

For more information about this study or any transportation matter, call Mr. Carlos Montez at 1-213-897-9116, or visit us at our website at www.dot.ca.gov. TTY users may call 1-213-897-4937.

Thank you for your interest!